



At a legal meeting of the voters of the Town of Dudley holden November 8th, 1892, the following vote was passed:— Voted, That the old records be printed and the town accept of Samuel M. Conant's proposition, he to have them printed and the town to have two copies free of cost.

A true copy from the records.

Attest, LEMUEL HEALY,

Town Clerk.

TOWN RECORDS

OF

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DUDLEY, MASSACHUSETTS,

1732-1754.

and 1754-1774. = 2 parts

PAWTUCKET, R. I.
THE ADAM SUTCLIFFE CO.

1893.

1895

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The Gift of Paul Dudley Esq^r to
the town of Dudley
Roxbury the 17th of Novem^r 1732.

Dudley was incorporated June 1st 1732.

The Congregational Church was formed 1732.

M^r Isaac Richardson was called to the Ministry 1732, but was not ordained.

Rev^d Pearly Howe was ordained 1735.

Congregational Meeting House erected 1734.

The first school in Dudley kept 1739.

Rev^d M^r Howe was dismissed 1743.

Rev^d Charles Gleason ordained Oct^r 1744.

Rev^d Charles Gleason died May 1750.

Rev^d Joshua Johnson installed 1790. P^r J. Johnson.

Rev. Joshua Johnson dismissed 1796.

Rev. Abiel Williams Ordained June 12, 1799. P^r A. Williams.

Rev. Abiel Williams dismissed March 16, 1831.

Rev. James H. Francis Ordained August 24, 1831. P^r J. H. Francis.

Dudley Town Records.

An act for making a new Town in the Countey of Worcester called by the name of Dudly.

Whearas there are maney Inhabetance alredey settled on a Tract of Land lying between the Towns of Woodstock and Oxford in the County of Worcester who together with others on the southwest part of Oxford and very remot from any Place of the Publick worship of God are very conveniently Scituated for a Township and have petitioned this Court to be erected into a seprate Township accordingly

Be it enacted by his Excellency the Govener Counsel and Representres in General Court assembled and by the authority of the same that all the Lands lying within the Bounds following viz: The Coloney or Patent Line and the Township of Woodstock on the South the Grant made to Medfield on the west the Land of Mr Pumpillions on the north unto the Farm belonging to Paul Dudly Esqr and by the same partly on the east untill it coms to Stoney River and by said River to the Brook Coming out of Chabunagungamaug Pond and oute of said Pond to the Collony or Patent Line be and hearby are Constituted into a Destint and Seprat Township by the nanie of Dudly and that the Inhabetence of the said Township

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be vested with the Powers Privelegs Imunities that the Inhab-
 etence of any Town of this Province by law are or ought to be
 vested with

Provided and be it further enacted that nothing in this act
 contained shall excuse or free aney of the Lands or Inhabitants
 that have been taxed by the Town of Oxford according to the
 order of this Court from paying all Past Dues but that they
 and their Lands be Subjected to pay their Town Countey
 and Ministeriall Rates and Taxes in the same maner as they
 would have been if this act had nevr been made

Passed by the Representves and in Council and Consented
 to by the Govenour

Copy Examined J Willard Secry

This is a true Copey of this act John Lillie Town Clerk

In the Hous of Representatives Jun 1. 1732) Ordred that
 Joseph Edmunds one of the prinsabel inhabetence of the Town
 of Dudley in the Countey of Worescster be directed and im-
 poured to notefie and summon the inhabetence of said Town of
 Dudley qualesified for voters to asembel and meet together
 somtim in the month of Jun Curent for the choosing of town
 Ofesers to stand until the next anuell Eleion according to Law
 aney Law usage or custom to the contrarey notwithstanding :)
 Sent up for concurence) J Quincey Speaker.

In Counsel June 1 : 1732 Read and Consented to

J Willard Secry

June the 1 1732 Consented to

J Belcher

True Copey Exemened

J Willard Secry

At a meeting of the Inhabetence of Dudly for the Choys of

Town ofesers at the hous of Willom Carters in said Town on Jun the 20 1732

Chosen moderater Joseph Edmunds	then the meeting	Moderater
opened and		
1 vots brought in for select men first chosen Joseph Edmunds the second James Corbin sen the third Ebenezer Edmunds the fourth Georg Robson the fifth John Lillie		Select men
2 vots brought in for Town Clerk Chosen John Lillie		Town Clerk
3 vots brought in for a Constabel Chosen to that ofes Joseph Putney		Constabel
4 vots brought in for Survyors of higwayes Chosen for the sam Samuell Neuell and Willom Carter		Survyors of Higwayes
5 vots brought in for fence veirs and Clement Corbin	Chosen Joshua Hele	Fense veirs
6 vots brought in for tythen men main Conont and Jonathan Neuell	Chosen for same benji	Tythin men
7 vots brought in for Hogreves David Sandrick and Joseph Wakfeild	Chosen for the sam	Hogreves
8 vots brought in for feild drivers James Corbin Jun and Ebenezer Bacon	Chosen for the same	feild drivers
9 vots brought in for a Town Tresuer sam Jonathan Neuell) all these severall ofesers took the severall othes belonging to them by the Select men and Town Clerk)	Chosen for the	Town Tresuer

Worsester ss to the Constabel Joseph Putney of Dudley Greeting Dudley Jun the 22 1732) you are hearby required in his majestes nam to warn the severall inhabetence of this Town to meet at the Hous of William Carters in said Town at 12 of the clock the 29 of this instant Jun then and thare to see whether the Town will consider of hiring a minester for a year to preach the Gospel to them and which way to pay him and to see for a plase to meet at and whare to bord the minester or any other thing that the Town shall think nedful to act on on

A warant for a
Town meating

said day and to make your return of it to the Seeled men by order of the Select men

John Lillie Town Clerk

June the 29 1732 At a meeting in Dudly at the hous of Willom Carters in said Town at 12 of the clock Chosen modrater for the same James Corbin sen :

modrater

A Town
meeting to
hire
a minster

- 1 voted to hire a minester for a year
 - 2 voted to raise the money to pay the minester upon Polls and Improved Lands and Stock
 - 3 voted that Willom Carters hous be the hous for to meet in to hear the Gospel preached in
 - 4 voted that the Select men shall provid the minester for this Town
 - 5 voted that the Select men shuld provid the plase to bord the minester at
 - 6 voted that Jonathan Neuell be the man to set the psalm at the Publick Worship
 - voted that Joseph Peper be the man to reed the psalm
 - voted that Willam Carters barn yard be the pound for this present year
 - voted that Willam Carter be the pound keeper provided the Select men do provid him a lock
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A warent for a
Town meeting

Worsester ss to the Constabel Joseph Putney of Dudley Greeting you are hearby Required in his majstes nam to warn the several Inhabetence of this Town to meet at the hous of Joseph Peppers in said Town on the 11 day of this Instant September at 12 of the Clock then and their to see whether the Town will send a man or men to their honours Judg Dudley and Colnel Dudly Esq^r and to Colnel Fich to see whether their honours will do aney thing to wards our settling of a minester and building of a meeting hous and to see

whether the Town will consider of another plase to meet in on the Sabath for the tim to com and if Mr. Robson dos Refuse to sarve as one of our select men to chuse another and aney other thing that the Town shall think nedfull to be acted one on said day and to mak your return of it to the select men by order of the select men
 Dudley September the 4 : 1732
 John Lille Town Clerk

At a meeting in Dudley at the hous of Joseph Peppers in said Town at 12 of the Clock The Town Meeting

Chosen modjater for the sam Joseph Edmunds

- 1 voted to send 2 men to their honours namly Judg Dudley and Colnel Dudley Esq^r and Colnel Fich to see whether those Gentelmen will do aney thing towards our settling of a minester and bulding of a meating hous
- 2 voted that Joseph Edmunds and George Robson be the men to treat with thos Gentelmen for the Town in this afaire
- 3 voted that Samuel Neuells hous be the hous to meet in on the Sabath when it is removed from Willam Carters
- 4 voted that our Town meetings be warned for tim to Com by setting up a notefication on our publick meeting hous

Worsester ss to the Constabel Joseph Putney of Dudley A warent for a Town meeting
 Greeting you are hearby Required in his majestes nam to warn the several inhabetence of this town to meet at the house of Samuel Neuells in said Town on the sixth day of November at teen of the Clock then and their to see whether the Town will raise money to Defray the several Charges arising in the Town and to see whether the Town will send a man to get our nonresidant Lands Tax at the General Court or aney other thing that the Town shall think nesesarey to be acted on

- Chosen modrater for the present meeting Joseph Edmunds modrater
- 1 voted to chuse a plase to seet the meeting hous on A Town meet-
2 voted that the Town expted of the Gentelmens ofer to ing for the
the Town Choys of a
3 voted that the Choys of the meeting hous plat should be meeting hous
desided by a major vot plat and a
4 voted that the north side of the Indins Land near Willam minester
Carters Land be the plase to set the meeting house on
- 5 voted that the meeting house be set upon Willam Carters
Land upon the west end of his Land near the Indian Land
- 6 voted and Chose the Reverend Mr Isaac Richardson for
a Gospel minester to settel in said Town
- 7 voted by the Inhabetence of said Town that thay will
give to there minester use wen the parson above Express his
accepting of our call a settelment of one hundred and fifty
pounds money together with a Lot of Land of one hundred
acers given by the honourabel Willam Dudley Esqr for that
use to the Town
- 8 voted by the said Inhabetence that Mr Isaac Richardson
accepting of there ofer according to there Choys shall have a
Salerey or yearly Reward for his Labor in the Gospel (viz)
for the first year Eightey pounds for the second Eightey five
pounds and so adding five pounds yearly until it rise to an
hundred pounds money yearly
- 9 voted that the select men namly Joseph Edmunds James
Corbin Ebenezer Edmunds Gorg Robson John Lillie together
with Jonathan hobbs Benjman Conant Joseph Putney be a
comitey to present there vots to Mr Isaac Richardson and to
make there Return to the inhabetence above said
- 10 voted that our hall Township of Land be taxt for seven
years together as wild Land at twenty shillings upon one
hundred acers
- 11 voted that Mr Joseph Edmunds be the man to get this
tax upon our Lands at the Geneeral asembly
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A warent for a
Town meeting

Worsester ss to the Constabel Joseph Putney of Dudley
Greeting you are hearby required in his majestes nam to
warn the several inhabetence of this Town to meet at the hous
of Willam Carters in said Town on monday the 25 of this
instant Desember at eight of the Clock in the morning

(1) then and theire to see if thaire was aney thing acted
contrary to Law in our proseding in chusing of a minester at
our Last meeting that it may be rectefied

(2) to hear the act of the Court consarning our Land tax by
Mr Joseph Edmunds

(3) or aney other thing that shall be thought nedfull on that
day consarning high wayes or runing the Lines betwen this
Town and the Towns adjoyneng and to make your Return
of it to the select men by order of the select men Dudley
Desember 7 1732

John Lillie Town Clerk

At a meeting of the Inhabetence of Dudley Regurley
assembled at the house of Willam Carters in said Town on
monday at eight of the Clock in the morning the 25 Desem-
ber 1732

modrater
the Town
meting

1 Chosen modrater for the present meeting Joseph Edmunds
2 it being preposed to the Town by the modrater whether
aney man was disatesfied with our prosedings at our Last
meeting consarning our Choys of Mr Isaac Richardson and it
being preposed several times to them in the present meeting
by the modrater and there being no man in the present meting
that obgected against their Choys or Salerey or Settlemnt of
the Reverend Mir Isaac Richardson

1 voted that the select men with a commite of four men to
be aded to them Shall Lay ought the high wayes for this Town

2 voted that the select men namly Joseph Edmunds James
Corbin Ebenezer Edmunds George Robson John Lillie to-
gather Jonathan Hobbs and Daniel Mackentier and Clement

Corbin be a comite with the select men to Lay ought the high wayes for this Town

3 voted that James Corbin sen one of our select men with Jonathan Neuell be the men to Run the Lines and to mak and Renew the bounds betwen this Town and the Towns adjoining

4 voted that Mr Morres shall have a hering in this Town at a convenent meeting consarning his joyneng with us

5 voted that the Reverend Mir Isaac Richardsons Salerey. shall be continued as the money is now and to rise and fall as the valeation of money shall be for time to com

To his Excellency Jonathan Belcher Esqr Captain Genaral and Govener in Chef in and over the Prrovince of the Massachusstts bay the Honourabel Councill and hous of Representatives in Genarall Court asembled this 12 of Desember 1732

The Petition of
Mr Joseph
Edmunds

The Humbel Petition of Joseph Edmunds of Dudley in the Countey of Worsester for and in behalf of said Town Humbly Shueth

that the said Town being as yet but in its Infancy and grat part of the Land theirin owned by persons liveng ought of the said Town and Littel or no Improvement mad thereon and the said Town being about to Buld a House for the Publick Worship and settling a minester of the Gospell by which pious works the Land in that Town in all probability will rise in their value and be much benefited therby and the said Town in a regular meeting have voted with humbel submission to your Exelency and honours that a tax be Leveyed on all the Lands in said Town after the Rate of Twentey Shillings to one hundred acres for each year for Spase of five years towards the defreying the said charges and imprauid your Petitioner to apply for

Wherefor your Petitioner humbly prays that the said Town

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may be impouered to Levy and Collect the said Tax or otherwise as your Excellency and Honours shall see met

Joseph Edmunds

Theire is in said Township a tract of Land in the posesion of the Indian Natives

The grant of
this prayer

In the House of Representaves Desember 14th 1732 Read and in answer to this Petition ordred that the prayer thereof be so far granted as that the select men or asesrs of the Town of Dudley be and hearby are allowed and Impouered to Leve and assess a Tax at Two pence a acer on one hundred on all the Lands lying within the said Township belonging either to the Resident or nonresident proprietors (the Indians Lands Exepted) for the full Spase of Five years next enseweng for the defeying and paying the minestearal and other charges arising therin and the Constabel or Collecters of the said Town are required and directed to Collect and pay in the sum of said Tax accordingly Sent up for Concurrence

J Quincy Spker

In Council Desember 15th 1732

Read and Concurd

J Willard Secry

Consented to J Belcher

Copy Examined

J Willard Secry

Rates made

October the 28 Rates mad and signed by the select men of Dudley and one October the thirth the Lest delivered to the Constabel Joseph Putney with a warent form the select men to gather in the sum total of said Lest

This is to notefie the Inhabetence of the Town of Dudley to ^Anoteficat for
meet at the hous of Samuells Neuells in said Town the 5 day a Town
of Febuarey next at eight of the Clock in the morning persisly meting

(1) then and their to reseve Mir Isaac Richardsons answer
Consarning his settling with us in the work of the ministry

(2) to agree with him consarning his settling with us if he
accepts of our Choys

(3) and if Mr Isaac Richardson doth accepts of our Choys
to see whether the Town will find him his wood

Dudley Januarey the 22 1733

by order of the select men) John Lillie Town Clerk

At a meeting of the inhabetence of Dudley Regulary
assembled at the hous of Samuells Neuells in said Town one
Monday the 5 day of Febuarey 1732-3 at eight of the clock in
the morn

Chosen modrater for the presesent meating James Corbin

Modrater
the Town
meeting

1 voted that the Reverend Mir Richardson shall have a
month Longer befor he doth give his answer to the Town

2 voted that Clement Corbin shall be the man to go to the
Honourabel Willam Dudley to see about our Deed of the
minester Lot

3 voted that Mir Morres and Mir Child and Mir Bugbe
shall have a hering at our next meeting consarning their
joyning with us

These may Certifye that being desired by Mir Joseph Ed-
munds to signifie what I was willing to do towards the Buld-
ing a meeting hous and settling a minester att Dudley in the
Countey of Worsester Do therefore by these presents mak
known that I shall make over Convey and Dispose of a cer-
tain lott of Land containing one hundred acers of land att the
least lying eastward of Willam Carters in the said Town to the

Willam Dudley
Esqs Gift to
the Town of
Dudly

ministry or minister as the Town shall order and shall give and grant the forfeiture of a Bond for the upholding and constantly keeping in good order a Grist mill in said Town amounting to one hundred pounds from Jonathan Bugbe of Woodstock for and towards the Building a meeting house and my lands lying in said Town to be subject to all legall taxes layed thereon provided the meeting hous be erected on or near the land the Indians now Deuell on as witness my hand this 15th November 1732

W^m Dudley

The gift of
Paul Dudley
Esqr to the
Town of
Dudley

I also promise to pay all such legal taxes as shall be laied on my lands lying in the Town of Dudley in preportion with others and further as sown as the meeting hous frame is up and in closed I promise to pay and advaince teen pounds money for that use and if there be aney pine trees in my lands thereabouts the Comite are wellcom to have them and take aney for that use for the meeting hous as wittnes my hand 17 November 1732

Paul Dudley

Dudley February y^e 12 1733

A notefication
for a
Town meeting

The Inhabetence of said Town are hearby notefied and required to meet at the Dwelling hous of Samuell Nenells in said Town the 26 day of February Instant at one of the Clock afternoon Then and their to see whether thay will act upon the following articls viz :

(1) to Recave the Reverend Mir Isaac Richardsons answer to said Town and in case his answer be to settle in said Town according to their vots to agre with him about his sallery and setelment

(2) and in case Mir Richardsons answer be in the affarmitive viz to setlele in said Town to see whether the Town will

give him his wood Cut and Carted to his house yearly together with what they have signified that they will give for his yearly sallery

(3) and in case Mir Richardsons answer be in the affirmative viz: to settle in said Town to see whether the Town will proseed to grant money to Defrey the Charges of the Ordination and to perfix the Day therfor

by order of the select men John Lillie Town Clerk

Dudley Febuarey the 26 1732-3 at a meeting of the Inhabetence of the Town of Dudley Reguraly assembled at the Dwelling hous of Samuell Nuells in said Town

Chosen modrater for the same Mir Joseph Edmunds

* * rater

1 voted by the said Inhabetence to give the Reverend Mir Isaac Richardson twenty five Cords of wood Cut and Carted to his house yearly together with what they have signified they will give him for his yearly sallerey

2 voted that the first wensday in June next ensewing be the day for the Ordination of the Reverend Mir Isaac Richardson to the work of the ministrey in Dudley

upon further considration at the present meeting

3 voted that the Ordnation of the Reverend Mir Isaac Richardson to the ministearall ofes in said Town be Referred to the Last Wensday in Agust next ensewing

4 voted by said inhabetence that twenty five pounds be Raised upon the said inhabetence by the select men to defray the Charges of the Ordination of the reverend mir Isaac Richardson

5 voted that the select men (viz) Joseph Edmunds James Corbin Ebenezer Edmunds Gorg Robson John Lillie be a commite to agree with mir Richardson about his salerey and setelment

6 voted that Joshue Heleys hous be the hous to have the Ordinaition in and mir Joseph Edmunds hous to be the hous

to provid for the minesters and mesheners which Com to atend upon the ordanaitoon

7 voted that the reverend Mir Fisk of Killingly y^e Rever^d Mr Thair of Roxbury the reve^d mir Willams of Pomfret the Revd m^r Jackson of Woborn the Revd mr Cambell of Oxford the Revd mr Throop of Woodstock the Revd mr Cabbot of Thomson the Revd mr Printec of Hassanamisso ware Chosen by the Town to asist at the ordainaiton of the Revernd mir Isaac Richardson

8 voted and Chose for to be a Commite to provide for the ordination of the Reverend mr Isaac Richardson James Corbin Jonathan Hobbs Jonathan Neuell Samuel Neuell Clement Corbin Joshua Heley John Lillie

A warnt for a town meeting

Dudly March y^e 12 1733 Worsester ss to the Constable Joseph Putny of the town of Dudly greeting you are hearby required in his majesties name to warn the severel inhabetence of west part said town to meet and asemble themselves at the dwelling house of William Carters in sd town on tusday the 20 day of March instent at eight of the clok in the morning 1 then and there to chues town ofisers for this present year 2 to see wether or no the town will grant mr Morris request namly to move the meeting house place to the * * of the south part of the indian hill

3 to se wether the town will agree that there anewell town meeting shall be on the first Monday in March for the time to come without any other warning 4 to se wether the town will pass an act to prevent peoples taking in cattel into the town

5 to se which of the two days which the town hass all redy picht upon for the ordination of the reverend m^r Isaac richardson shall be the day for the ordination it being in controverse namly whether the first wensday in june or the Last wensday in August

6 to se wether the town will impowr the select men to give

the revernd m^r richardson a deed of the Lot of Land according
to the town vote by order of the select men

John Lillie town clerk

Samiel Newell warned the east end of said town to this
present meeting by order of the select men

Dudly March ye 20 our anewell town meeting asembled our anewell
town meeting
at the hous of William carters

moderator chosen for the sd meeting m^r James Corbin Senior

1) voted slect man Joseph Edmunds 2 Ebenezer Edmunds
3 Benja Conant 4 Richard kider 5 Joshua healy

2) voted Benj^a Conant town clerk for the year insuing

3) voted that there shall be two constables in sd town

4) voted that John ruewe shall be one constable for this
year and david Southwick the other constabel for the year in-
suing

5) voted Samuel newell and william Carter be survaers for
the hiways for the year insuing

6) voted that the select men tak care for the Laying out rods

7) voted that John rich and Daniel Coffin be tiething men
for the year insuing

8) voted that Joseph pepper and James corbin be survaers
of fences for the year insuing

9) voted that Jonathan newell be town trasurier for the
year insuing

10) voted that Benja davis and paul rich be hoge reaves for
the year insuing

11) voted that clement corbin thomos chenee and nathan
denis be hayward or fieldrivers for the year insuing

12) voted that our anewell town meeting be the first monday
in march for the time to come without any further warning

13) voted that if any person shall tak in cattle except they
hire them shall pay ten Shielings peir head

14) voted that the first wensday in june next be the day for
the ordination of the reverend mr Isaac richardson

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15 voted that the eighteenth day of April next be the day for our privit fast in this place

16 voted that Benja conant shall go down to the honourable eurnul dudly for other security for the Lot of Land your self gave to the town and the town voted to the minister

Thes several ofisers have taken ther oaths relating to there office by the town clark for the present year by order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clark

Dudly April 16 1733 Worcester ss

Warrant for a
town meeting

To constable John ruewe greeting you are hearby required in his majestis name forthwith to warn the several inhabetance of the town of dudly on the east side of the Crok that runs by putneys down by philip newels to meet at the house of Samuel newels in sd town on monday 23 of April instent at two of the clock in the after noone then and there to se weather they will act upon the following artecells

as 1) to se what the town will Levey the tax upon to defray the charge of the ordination

2) to se what the town will Leavey ye resedue of the hundred and fifty pounds upon for the setelment of there minister beside what the Land tax will produce and make your return to the select men by order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant town clark

the above written warent to constable david Southwick greeting to warn the inhabetance on the west side of sd Crook in sd town

town meeting

D April 23 1733 at a meeting of the inbabetance of the town of Dudley regularly asembled at the dewelling house of Samuel newells at 2 of the clock in the afternoon

1) voted and chose mr Joseph Edmunds moderater for the sd meetng

2) voted that if the honourble curnul dudly give the town that hundred pounds his honour signefid he would concerning the mill that the reverend mr Isaac richardson shall have it and in case the hundred pound fail he shall have fifty pund by the 20 of november next and fifty pound the next year and fifty pound the next

3) voted that simon chamberlin and benjaⁿ davis with old mr corbin chosen before to run the Line round our township

4) voted that the charg of the ordination of the reverend mr Isaac richardson be defrayed by a rate

Dudly April 23 1733 at a meeting of the chruch regularly conved at the house of Joseph putnys on sd day

1) voted and chose mr Jonathan hobs moderrater for sd meeting

2) voted and chose Benjaⁿ conant clark for sd meeting

3) voted and chose the reverend mr Isaac richardson to be our minester in the gospel in sd town

4) voted that the day for ordination of the revarend m^r Isaac richardson be on the first wensday in june next

5) voted and chose Joseph putny Joseph Sebin and Banjaⁿ conant be the persons to present the chruchs vote to the reverend mr Isaac richardson which vots of the chruch being imeadeitly presented to the town to se weather the town would comply with the chruchs vote for the ordination which accordingly they vott & concurd with the vote of the chroch that the first wensday in june next be the day for the ordination of the reverend mr Isaac richardson

Dudly may the 15 1733

Worcester ss to the constabls John ruewe and david Southwick greeting you are hearby required in his majestis name forthwith to warn the several inhabitence of the town of a warnt for a town meeting

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dudly in each of your wards to meet and asemble themselves at the dwelling hous of Samuel newels in sd town on tuesday 22 day of may instent at twelve a clock

1) then and there to se weather the town can make things eassy concerning the ordination sence there is so much un-easyness about it

2) to se weather we shall meet at the same hous on the Sabbath we now meet at or weather they will make choice of some other if it may be obtaind

3) or any other thing the town shall se cause to act upon on the same day and make your return to the select men by order of the select men

Benjaⁿ conant town clark

Dudly may 22 1733

town meeting

at a meeting of the inhabitence of the town of dudly regularly asembled at the house of Samuel newells in sd town at 12 a clock

1) voted and choose m^r Ebenezer Edmunds moderrater for the present meeting

2) to se to mak things eassy concerning ordination wher-upon the church & town all agreed to stand by the vote that was past for the ordination of the revernd mr Isaac richardson to be on the Last wensday in August next insueing

3) voted to meet at the hous of william carters on the sabbath after two sabbaths from this time

4) voted and chose mr James corbin senier and mr Ebenezer Edmunds to carry the town vots to curnul John chandler Sqier to have his advice upon them

warn^t for a
town meeting

Dudly june 15 1733

Worsester ss to the constables John ruewe and david Southwick greeting you are hearby required in his majestis

name forthwith to warn the several inhabitation of the town of dudly in your wards to meet and assemble themselves at the dwelling house of william carters in sd town at 2 of the clock in the after noone on the 22 day of june instent

then and there to receive judg chandlers advice concerning the managment of our officers as to placing our meeting house and calling a minester

and make your return by order of select men

Benjaⁿ conant town clerk

Dudly june 22-1733

at a meeting of the inhabitation of the town of dudly assembled town meeting at the dwelling house of william carturs in sd town at 2 a clock after noone

1) voted and chose m^r Ebenezer Edmunds moderater for the sd meeting

then and there heard judg chandlers advice on our officers presented to the town by the hands of mr James corbin and mr Ebenezer Edmunds as a comite sent to his honour on that purpos

Dudley July 31 1733

to the constables Jobn rucwe and David Southwick greeting a warnet for a town meeting you are hearby required forthwith to warn the several inhabitation in the town of Dudley in each of your wards to meet and assemble themselves at the dwelling house of William carturs in said town on tuesday the 7 day of August next at one a clock after noone then and there to se if the town will act upon the following articeles

1) that wereas it hath been divers debated in town meetings concerning the ordination of m^r Isaac richardson whome we have chosen to be our minester in the gospel and wereas there still seems to be some persons which think that the town have

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not proceeded regulely in the choice of there minister alltho it was done with the unanimos consent of the inhabitance of sd town as apears from the town record therefore the inhabitance of sd town are hearby warned and requested to either ratify and confirm there call and Settlement to m^r Isaac richardson or to call in the assistence of a counsel to hear and determin all diffirenses that have or may probably arise concerning the same or the advice of the neighbouring minesters as privit gentlemen and not only as advisers but as judgs of the same and if the town desirs m^r richardson to Leave them to propose some honorable terms to him to preserve the honour and credit of this town as well as the honour and credet of the person whome we have chosen

and make your return by order of the select men

Benjaⁿ conant town clerk

Dudley August 7 1733

town meeting

at a meeting of the inhabitance of the town of dudley asembled at the dwelling house of william carturs in sd town on tuesday the 7 day of August at one a clock after noone chosen moderator for sed meeting m^r Joseph Edmunds

Dudley Augst 16 1733

warn for a meeting

Worsester ss to the constables John ruewe and david Southwick greeting you are hearby requird in his majestis name forthwith to warn the several inhabitance in the town of dudley in each of your wards to meet at the house of william carturs in sd town on thirsday the 23 day of August instent at 2 a clock afternoone

1) then and there to hear whate m^r richardson has to say to the town

2) to se what honourabe terms the town will propose to m^r richardson for there futtuer honour & credit

3) to give nottis to every one that has any thing due from the town to bring in there account

4) and in case m^r richardson Leavs us to se if the town will proseed in some method to maintain preaching for the futuer

and make your return by order of the select men
Benjaⁿ conant town clerk

Dudley August 23 1733

at a meeting of the inhabitance of the town of dudley asembled ^{town meeting} at the dwelling house of william carters in sd town at 2 a clock after noone

1 voted and chose m^r Ebenezer Edmunds moderator for ye sd meeting

2 voted in answer to mr richardsons request Signefiing he was no ways obliged to the town as to his seteling with them

3 voted that the town will maintain preaching for the futuer

Dudley August 27 1733

Worsester ss to the constables John ruewe and david Southwick greeting you are hearby required forthwith to warn the severale inhabitance in ye town of dudly in your ward to meet and asemble themselves at the dwelling house of william carters in sd town on tuesday the 4 day of September next at 12 a clock ^{warnit for a meeting}

1 then and there to se if the town will send some person to procure a minister

2 to se how much money the town will grant to defray the charg of preaching and other nesisery chargs

3 to se weather the town will use the Land tax to defray the above mentioned chargs or weather they will raise it upon poles stocks and improvements

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4 to se if the town will send a person or persons to the honourble judge dudleys to se what incourigment there honours will give us towards our building a meting house and make your return by order of the select men

Benjaⁿ conant town clerk

Dudley September y^e 4 1733

A town
meeting

at a meeting of the inhabitance of the town of dudley regularly asembled at the dwelling house of william carters in sd town at 12 a clock

1 voted and chose m^r Joseph Edmunds moderater for the sd meeting

2 voted and chose captain Ebenezer Edmunds to se to procure a minister to preach the gospel to us and Likewise to go to the honourable judg dudleys to se whate incourigment there honours will give us towards our building a meeting house

3 voted that sixty pounds money shall be raised upon the inhabitance of sd town to pay what the town is now in dept and to defray the charg of preaching and other nesenary chargs from this time till march next insueing

Dudley october 16 1733

warnt

Worsester ss to the constables John Reuwe and David Southwick greeting you are hearby required forthwith to warn the several inhabitance in each of your wards in the town of dudley to meet at the dwelling house of william carturs in sd town on tuesday the 23 of october instent at 12 a clock

1 then and the to se if the town will petition for the heither part of Woodstock to be set of to us to inlarge our town

2 and also to notefye the inhabitance of sd town to bring in the invice of ther ratible estats on sd day to the select men and also to bring in the account of what quantity of Land they

have in order for the Land tax * and make your return by
order of the select men

Benjaⁿ conant town clerk

Dudley october 23 1733

at a meeting of the inhabitation of the town of dudley town meeting
regularly assembled at the dwelling house of william carturs in
sd town on tuesday 23 of october

1) voted and chose m^r Joseph pepper moderater for ye sd
meeting

2) voted against petitioning for the heither part of wood-
stock by a great majority

Dudley november 10 1733

Worsester ss to the constables John ruewe and david warnt
Southwick greeting you are hearby required forthwith to
warn the several inhabitation of the town of dudley in each of
your wards to meet at the dwelling hous of william carturs in
sd town on friday 16 of november instent at 9 a clock in the
morning then and there to se if the town will act upon the
following articles

1) to se if the town will proceed in building a meeting
house and what method they will proceed in and if the town
see cause to go on with the work to chuse a commitee to take
car of the same

2) to se if the town will chuse a committee to provid a
minester for us from this time till march next insueing

3) to se what place the town will agree to meet at upon the
Sabbath and make your return by order of the select men

Benjaⁿ conant town clerk

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Dudley november 16 1733

town meeting

at a meeting of the inhabitation of the town of dudley regularly assembled at the dwelling house of william carturs in sd town on friday the 16 of november instent

1 voted and chose m^r Joseph Edmunds moderater for sd meeting

2 voted and chose m^r Joseph pepper m^r John Lilley and m^r Benja newell to be a committee to provid us preaching from time to time as the town stands in need from this time till march next insueing

3 voted that m^r Joseph Scotts house be the place to meet at upon the Sabbath

Dudley november 23 1733

warnit

Worsester ss to the constables John ruewe and David Southwick greeting you are hearby required forthwith to warn the several inhabitation in the town of dudley in each of your wards to meet at the dwelling house of william carturs in sd town on friday ye 30 day of november instent at ten a clock in the morning then and there to se if the town will act upon the following articles

1 to give m^r moris a hearing concerning his joyning with us in building a meeting house

2 to establish a plot for our meeting house

3 to proseed in building a meeting house and to agree what bigness for the house and what method they will proseed in and also to chuse a committee to manige that afare and make your return by order of the select men

Benjaⁿ conant town clerk

town

at a meeting of the inhabitation of the town of dudley regularly assembled at the dwelling house of william carturs in sd town on friday ye 30 day of november instent

1 voted and chose m^r Joseph pepper moderater for sd meeting

2 voted not to oblige m^r moris in seting our meeting house on the south end of the indian hill on the highest part of it

3 voted that our meeting house shall stand in the senter of our town and if the senter falls in a place not convenient by reason of brook and swamp then it shall stand in the nearest convenient place by a great majority

Dudley desember 12 1733

Worsester ss to the constables John reuwe and david Southwick greeting you are hearby required forthwith to ward the several inhabitance in the town of dudley in each of your wards to meet at the dwelling house of william carturs in sd town on thirsday ye 20th day of desember instent at 12 a cloçk then and there to se if the town will act upon the following articles

1 to reconsider the vote that was past the last town meeting concerning the placeing our meeting house and to pich on some other place if not to chus a commitee to measure the town and to find the senter for us

2 to se if the town will establish the highway laid out from m^r georg robisons over the french river were the brig is raised and make your return by order of the select men

Benjaⁿ conant town clerk

at a meeting of the inhabitance of the town of Dudley town meeting regularly asembled at the dwelling house of william carturs in sd town on thirsday ye 20 day of desember 1733

1 voted and chose m^r georg robison moderater for sd meeting

2 voted that the town reconsidered the vote that was past

at our last town meeting for the placing our meeting house in the senter of our town

3 voted by a great majority that our meeting house shall stand upon the south part of william carturs land near the indian line just at the east of the paths that one gose from william carturs to Samael newells and the other croses the hill over to the indians by the timber that was drawd for m^r Isaac richardsons house were the timber now lise david Southwick Joseph Sabin Elisha Sabin Simon chamberlian william cartur these persons hear named now enter there desent against this last vote

Dudley janewary 22 1733-4

warnt

Worsester ss to the constables John reuwe and david Southwick greeting you are hearby required forthwith to warn the several inhabitance of the town of dudley in each of your wards to meet at the dwelling house of william carturs in sd town on wensday the 30 day of janauary instent at eight of the clock in the morning then and there to se if the town will act upon the following articles

1 for the town to reconsider that vote that was past last about placeing our meeting house

2 then for the town to proseed to place the meeting house on the top of that hill that Joshua pegin fencet part

3 then for the town to receive m^r morris upon his one proposuls if the town sees cause

4 to se if the town will now proceed to build a meeting house and what bigness and what method to go on in and to chuse a commitee to take care of ye same and make your return by order of the select men

Benjaⁿ conant town clerk

town meeting at a meeting of the inhabitance of the town of dudley regularly assembled at the dwelling house of william carturs in

sd town on wensday the 30 day of jenuary 1733-4

1 voted and chose m^r james corbin Senier moderater for sd meeting

2 voted that if these honourable gentlemen namly judge dudley and curnul dudley will procur us land at a reasonable rate for to set our meeting house on in Joshua pegins old field were there is a small walnut tree marked with a heap of stons a little to ye est of it and land convenient for a burying place and a traning field by the same then our last vote is for the placing our meeting house is reconsidered but if we cant obtain the land as we expect for the aforesd uses then the vote at our last meeting for setting our meeting house on william carturs land is to remain as it was

3 voted that the town will proceed in building a meeting house

4 voted that the town will build a meeting house five and forty feet long and forty foot wide

5 voted that the town will now chuse a commitee to manig the afars in building a meeting house

6 voted that the town will have five men for a commitee to take care for the carrying on the work of our meeting house

7 voted that every man shall have liberty to work about the house in proportion to his rate

8 voted that cap Ebenezer Edmunds m^r georg robuson insign clement corbin m^r Samuel newell m^r thomus cheney be a commitee to carry on the work of our meeting house

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Sixty pound Rats made in november 1733 and delivered to the constables signed by the select men with a wart to each of the constables John rueve and david Southwick signed by the select men for the gathering the some total in said list

Rats

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the land tax for the town of dudly for the year 1733 our land tax made in february 1733-4 signed by the select men and

delivered to the constables with a warnt for the gathering of said the tax signed by the select men John ruewe and david Southwick constabls

Dudley March 4 1734

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meeting

at a meeting of the inhabitance of ye town of dudley regularly asembled at the dwelling house of william carturs in sd town on monday ye 4 day of march 1734

1 voted and chose m^r James corbin senier moderater for sd meeting

2 voted that the town will have five select-men for the year insuing

3 voted m^r Joseph Edmunds the first select-man for the year insuing

4 voted Benjaⁿ conant the second select-man for ye year insuing

5 voted Richard Kidder the third select-man for the year insuing

6 voted Jonathan Newell the fourth select-man for ye year insuing

7 voted clement corbin the fifth select-man for ye year insuing

8 voted Benjaⁿ conant town clerk for the year insuing
continued •

9 voted Jonathan newell town treasurer for the year insuing

10 voted philip newell constable for the weast ward for the year insuing

11 voted Ebenezer bacon and Benjaⁿ Chamberlin survaers of highways for ye insuing year

12 voted Samuel Scott and Benjaⁿ whit howards or feild drivers for ye year insuing

13 voted Ebenezer Coburn Joseph jewell Simon Chamberlin and Jonathan wakfield to be hogreavs for the year insuing

14 voted Joseph Scott and Jonathan hobbs tything men for ye year insuing

15 voted that wereas Joseph pepper was chose constable for the east ward the town thought proper and reconsidered that vote and voted James corbin junir to serve constable for the east ward for the year insuing

16 voted that no person nor persons shall take cattle into our town without paying teen shillings per head

17 voted David Southwick and philip Corbin Servars of fence for ye year insuing

18 voted that the town accepted all the accounts and granted them that was brought to this meeting by the select men treasurer and constables

Dudley march 6 1734

Worsister Ss to the constables philip newell and James Corbin jun^r greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn the several inhabitance of the town of dudley in each of your wards to meet at the dwelling house of william carturs in sd town on wensday the 13 day of march instent at nine a clock in the morning then and there to act upon the following articles

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1) for the town to grant mony to defray the charg of preaching and and other nessisery chargs for the year insuing

2) to chuse a committee to provid us preaching for the year insuing and also to provid a place to board the minister at

3) to pitch upon mr william carturs house to meet at on the Sabbath if it may be obtaind on reasonable terms and if not his house some other

4) to alter the form of our meeting house if they se cause and to set a price upon labour both of persons and teems and to se if town will now go about the meeting house and to set a time to raise our meeting house

* * * to chuse a committee to agree with pertickeler persons conserning the * * * nty rod

* * * chuse a person or persons to go with m^r moris up to
 judg Chandlers the land of the indians which
 curnul dudly gave us about for our meeting house

7) to se weather the town will receive m^r morris in his
 own proposels or part and make your return by order of the
 select men

Benjaⁿ conant town clerk

town meeting at a meeting of the inhabitance of the town of dudley regu-
 larly asembled at the dwelling house of william carturs in sd
 town on wensday the 13 day of march 1734

1) voted and chose m^r Joseph Edmunds moderater for sd
 meeting

2) voted and granted by the town one hundred and ten
 pounds money to defray the charg of preaching and other
 nesisery chargs for for the year insuing or as far as the money
 will go

3) voted and chose m^r James corbin m^r william cartur m^r
 benjaⁿ newell for a commitee to provid preaching for the town
 for the year insuing and also to provid a place to board the
 minister at

4) voted 3 pounds to m^r william cartur for the use of his
 house for the year insuing to meet at on the Sabbath and as
 sd cartur has had the same trouble 2 years past he freely gives
 the whole to the town which maks nine pound

5) voted that the town adds five foot to the lengeth of our
 meeting house and to have it two and twenty foot stude

6) voted that our town inhabitance are to work about our
 meeting house at any sort of work accept a master workman
 for four shillings and six pence a day and find themselves

7) voted a pair of oxen and cart to work at four shillings
 a day 2 shillings for each refering to the work of our meeting
 house

8) voted that persons shall be at there work at eight a
 clock in the morning

9) voted that the town will now proceed to fall and hew the timber for our meeting house and after planting to draw the timber together and after haying to frame and gite it up as soon as may be

10) voted that capt Edmunds m^r Joseph Scott and m^r Ebenezer bacon be a commitee to agree with such persons as the county rode gos through there land concerning the same

11) voted m^r James corbin m^r Joseph Edmunds for a commitee to go with m^r morris up to judge chandlers concerning some land we hope to obtain of the indians for our meeting house and burying place and training field and also fifty acurs adjoining for a pasnaig

12) voted that the town accepted the rode laid out by the select men from m^r goerg robusons to our proposed meeting house place as it is alraedy markt

Dudley march the 12th 1734

Laid out by the select men a four rod road from the east end of the town of Dudley to our proposed meeting house place as follows beginning on m^r georg robusons land near his saw mill at a whit oak tree markt on the north sid of the road by a meadow from thence to a stak and hecp of stons westerly from the forementioned whit oak on the north sid the road from thence to a stak and hecp of stons from thence to a whit oak tree markt from thence to whit oak markt from thence to a wallnut tree a bound mark georg robusens land and Joseph wakfeilds from thence on sd wakfeilds south line to a whit oak stump markt south from his house from thence Runing southwest by the marks as follows to a whit oak markt from thence to a whit oak growing partly on a rock from thence to a small whit oak markt from thence to a whit oak markt near the est line of the mill lott from thence to a red oak markt on the west sid of the brook in the sd mill lott from thence to a whit oak markt on the est sid of the river from thence to a Brig over the river called the french river at the mouth of

powder horn brook from thence to a pitch pin markt on the west sid of sd river from thence to a pitch pin markt near the cart Road on the northly sid from thence in the cart road to a whit berch markt in the edge of a swamp near Banja davises seniars est Lin from thence to a whit oak markt from thence to a gray oak markt on the esterly side a brook Runing into a meadow from thence to whit oak markt northly of sd davises house from thence to a stak and heep of stons near the west Lin of sd Davis from thence to a Stak and heep of stons between clement corbins house and barn from thence to a whit oak markt near Sd corbins west Lin from thence to a chesnut tree markt on the Indians Land from thence to a black oak markt from thence to a gray oak markt from thence to a whit oak markt on fore sids near the cart road that gos from daniel coburns to the indians from thence norwest to a whit oak markt from thence to a whit oak markt north from Joshua pagins feild from thence to a gray oak markt from thence to a pitch pin markt near collicoms wigwom from thence to a popler markt on the esterly sid of the hill called Joshuas hill from thence to a walnut on the top of the hill to our proposed meeting house place these forementioned marks being all on the north or northly sid of sd Road

town meeting at a meeting of the inhabitation of the town of dudley regularly assembled at the dwelling house of william carturs in sd town on wensday the 27 day of march 1734 ' this meeting being adjurd from the 13 day of this instent march

1) voted that the town accepted the 4 acers of Land of the indians near the north side of there Land on the top of Joshua Pagins hill for a meeting house and burying place and training feild and also to perform the conditions namly to allow the indians a convinant seat or seats in our meeting house when it is up

2) voted that m^r Samll Morris Sen^r shall joyn with us in

building a meeting house and to reciev a priviledg according to what charg he is at in building the same

3) voted that a notyfication set up at our meeting house doore where we meet on Sabbath shall be a sufishent warning for the town to come together about any thing refering to our meeting house

Dudley April 22 1734

this is to notify and requir the several inhabitance of the town of dudley to meet at the dwelling house of william carturs in sd town on thirsd day ye 2 day of may next insuing at one a clock after none then and there to se if the town will act upon the following articles

1) to put out our meeting house frame by the great provided the person or persons which take it will take whate labour they want of the town inhabitance acoording to the town vote

2) to set a price upon slitwork and boards

3) to add to the commitee that was chose to manige the affairs of our meeting house because some refus that was chose

4) for the town to agree upon some method to pay what the town is now in dept because it is imediatly wanted

by order of the select men

Benjaⁿ conant town clerk

at a meeting of the inhabitance of the town of dudley regularly asembled at the dwelling house of william carturs in sd town on thirsd day y^e 2 day of may 1734

1) voted and chose m^r Joseph Edmunds moderater for sd meeting

2) voted that the town will put out our meeting house by the great if the commitee that was chose to manage that affair can procure and agree with sutfient that will take it as to the

hewing and framing part and if they cant procur men to take it by the great then to hier some sutfient workman or men by the day to do the work and likewise what labour they want to take of the town inhabitance according to the town vote

3) voted that the town will Leave the procuring of the slitwork and boards with the comitee to git the same as reasonable as they can

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Dudley august 14 1734

Worseseter ss to the constables philip newell and Jams Corbin greeting you are hearby required forth with to warn the several inhabitance in the town of Dudley in each of your wards to meet at the dwelling house of william carturs in sd town on monday ye 26 day of August instent at one a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

1) to come into some meathod for mending the town high-ways

2) to raise some money to pay m^r moses marcy for boards and slitword which our comitee has already had of him for our meeting house which amounts to 13-18-0

3) to chuse a person or persons to go down to the honourable judg Dudley and curnul dudley Esqrs concerning the money which there honours gave us incourgment of having towards our meeting house and also to provide meteralse for the meeting house and make your return by order of the select men

Benjaⁿ conant town clerk

town meeting at a meeting of the inhabitance of the town of dudley regularly asembled at the dwelling house of william cartur in sd town on monday the 26 day of August 1734

1) voted and chose m^r Joseph Edmunds moderater for sd meeting

2) voted that the town Leaves it with the select men to proportion every mans labour towards the mending of our highways from time to time as we stand in need according to the rates they pay towards the town chargse

3) voted that part of our Land tax shall defray the charg of the Slitwork and boards which the commitee has already procurd for our meeting house

4) voted Capt Edmunds to address the honourable judge Dudley and curnul dudley Esqrs in behalf of the town concerning the money there honours gave us incourgment of haveing towds our meeting house and also to provide meterels for our meeting house

110 pound rate made in September 10 1734 and delivered into the constables hands with a warnt to each of the constables philip newell and Jams corbin and these sd Lists and warnts were signd by the select men for the gathering the some total in these lists the Land tax made in desember 1734 of 100-7-0 and delivered into the constables hands philip newell and Jams corbin with a warent and the List signed by the select men for the gathering the some total in sd list

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Dudley october ye 4 1734

Worsister ss this is to notify and and-require the several inhabitanse of the town of Dudley to meet and asemble then-selves at the dwelling house of william carturs in sd town on monday the 14 day of october instent at one a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

1) to prefix a time to raise our meeting house

2) to conclude in what method they will provid for the

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raising our meeting house and also to chuse a committee to take care thereof

3) to chuse a person or persons to procure nails for the inclosing our meeting house

By order of the select men Benjaⁿ Conant town clerk

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at a meeting of the inhabitation of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at the dwelling house of william carturs in sd town on monday the 14 day of october 1734

1) voted and chose m^r Joseph Edmunds moderater for sd meeting

2) voted that wensday the 23 day of october instent be the day for the raising of our meeting house

3) voted that the town will come together on tuesday the 22 of this instent at 7 a clock in the morning for the levilling the sills and do what thay can towards raising the house

4) voted m^r jesse horsmer m^r Joshua heally m^r william Cartur for a committee to make provision for the raising our meeting house

5) voted that the charg of raising our meeting house shall be defrayed by a rate

Dudley Desember 14 1734

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fication

Worsister ss this is to notify and requir the several inhabitation of the town of Dudley to meet at the Dwelling house of Joseph peppers in sd town on monday ye 23 of desember instent at ten a clock in the morning then and there to act upon the following articles

1) for all persons to bring in their account of what they have done towards our meeting house and to see what the town is now in dept concerning sd meeting house

2) to raise mony to defraye the charg of our meeting house By order of the select men Benjaⁿ conant town cleuk

at a meeting of the inhabitation of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at the Dwelling house of Joseph peppers in sd town on monday ye 23 of Desember 1734

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- 1) voted and chose capt Ebenezer Edmunds moderater for sd meeting
- 2) voted to have a rate made to defray the whole charg of what the town is is now in dept refering to our meeting house



january 2 1734^s a rate made of 57 - 11 - 11 and deliverd into the constables hands namly philip newell and Jams corbin with the Lists and warrents signd by the select men this rate for the defraying the charg of our meeting house



Dudley fabruary 4 1734^s

Worsister ss to the constables philip newell and Jams corbin greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn the Saveral inhabitation in the town of Dudley in each of your wards to meet at the dwelling house of Joseph peppers in sd town on wednsday the 12 day of fabruary instent at twelve a clock then and their to act upon the following articles

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- 1) to se weather the town will agree to call and settle a minister as soone as we can conviniently out of those gentlemen we have alreddy herd if not
 - 2) to se weather the town be of a mind to hear more gentlemen before we settle and if the 2 article is what is agreed upon then thirdly
 - 3) to chuse a commitee to procure the same and a place for the minister to board at
- and make your return by order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant town clerk



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at a meeting of the inhabitan^c of the town of Dudley regularly asembled at the dwelling house of Joseph peppers in Sd town on wednday the 12 day of fabruary 1734⁵

1) voted and chose capt Ebenezer Edmunds moderater for sd meeceting

2) voted that the town will call and settle a minister as soone as we can conviniently out of those gentlemen we have allready heard in case he accepts of our choice

Dudley Fabruary ye 20 1734⁵

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Worsister ss to the constables philip newell and Jans Corbin grecting you are hearby required forthwith to warn the several inhabitan^c in the town of dudley in each of your wards to meet at the dwelling house of Joseph peppers in sd town on monday the 3 day of march next at a clock in the morning then and their to act upon the following articles

1) to chuse town officers as the Law directs for the year insuing

2) to establish the several highways Laid out for the towns use namly for the Southwest corner for the west end for the norwest corner for the north side for the Southeast corner and from nathan denises near a south cours to Joshua healys

and make your return by order of the select men

Benjaⁿ conant town clerk

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at a meeting of the inhabitan^c of the town of dudley regularly asembl^d at the dwelling house of Joseph peppers in sd town on monday ye 3 day of march 1735

1) voted and chose m^r Joseph Edmunds moderater for sd meeting

2) voted m^r Joseph Edmonds ye first select man

3) voted Benjaⁿ conant ye 2 select man

4) voted m^r Jonathan newell ye 3 select man

- 5 voted m^r clement corbin ye 4 select man
- 6 voted m^r Joshua heally ye 5 select man
- 7 voted and continued Benjaⁿ conant town clerk
- 8 voted m^r Joseph pepper constable for the east ed of our town
- 9 voted m^r roger Stevens constable for the west end of our town
- 10 voted m^r Jonathan hobbs town treasurer
- 11 voted m^r Joseph wakfeild & m^r philip corbin survaers of highway for the east End of town
- 12 voted m^r Benjaⁿ newell m^r Ebenezer Bacon survaers of highways for the west end o^f the town
- 13 voted m^r Samuel child m^r Samuel Scott survaers of fence
- 14 voted m^r thomus huchins m^r Samuel Child hogreavs for ye year insuing
- 15 voted m^r David Southwick colector to gather the Land tax out of town and the remainder of ye sd tax in town
- 16 voted m^r Joseph jewell Senier tything man for ye year next
- 17 voted by the town and concurd with the vote of the church that thirsday ye 27 day of march instent be the day of fasting and prayer in order for the choice of a minester to settle with us
- 18 vote m^r Jams Corbin Senier by the town to go with m^r Jonathan hobbs before chosen by the church to interseed with the reverend m^r Williams of pomfriet and the revered m^r troop of woodstock to asist in carrying on the work of day of fasting and prayer before us and also m^r Joseph Scott chose by ye town to go with m^r John Lilly before chosen by the church to interseed with the reverend m^r camill of oxford in carrying on the work of the day of fasting and prayer before us

the several officers above chosen have taken there oaths as the Law directs

Dudley march y^e 13 1735

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worsister ss to the constables Joseph pepper and roger Stevens greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn the several inhabitance in the town of Dudley in each of your wards to meet at the dwelling house of Joseph peppers in sd town on thirsday y^e 20 day of march instent at three a clock after noone then and there to prefix a day for fasting and prayer in order for the choice of a minister to settle with us in the work of the ministrey by reason our first day we prefix on this ocaion is put by on the account of the publick fast and also to chuse some persons to treat with some gentlemen to carry on the work of the day of fasting and prayer for us and make your return by order of the select men

Benjaⁿ conant town clerk

an account of what m^r Samuel moris Senier has done towards buildind our meeting house is the some of fifteen pounds five shilling

town meeting

at a meeting of the inhabitance of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at the dwelling house of Joseph peppers in sd town on thirsday ye 20 day of march 1735

1) voted and chose m^r Joseph Edmunds moderater for sd meeting

2) voted by the town and concurd with the vote of the church that thirsday the 10 day of April next be the day of fasting and prayer with us in order for the choice of a minister to settle with us in the work of the ministry

3) voted and chose the reverend m^r williams of pomfrit to asist in carrying on the work of sd day of fasting and prayer with us

4) voted m^r Jonathan newell by the town to go with m^r richard kidder befor chose by the church to interseed withe

the reverend m^r camill of oxford to asist in carrying on the work of sd day of fasting and prayer for us

5 voted m^r Joseph Edmund by the town to go with m^r Jonathan hobbs before chose by the church to interseed with the reverend m^r williams of pomfrit and the reverend m^r troop of woodstock to asist in carrying on the work of sd day of fasting and prayer for us

Dudley march y^e 20 1735

Worcester ss to the constables Joseph pepper and Roger Stevens greeting you are hearby required forthwith to warn the several inhabitance in the town of Dudley in each of your wards to meet at our meeting house in sd town on thirsday the tenth day of April next insuing then and the to make choice of a minister out of those gentlemen we have already heard to settle with us in the work of the ministry after our fast excirses is over after noone and make your return by order of the select men

warant

Benjaⁿ conant town clerk

at a meeting of the inhabitance of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on thirsday ye tenth day of April 1735

town meeting

1) voted and chose m^r Jams corbin senier moderater for sd meeting

2) voted and chose the reverend m^r perlly how to settle with us in the work of the ministry by a great majority both by church and town

Dudley April ye 11 1735

Worcester ss to the constables Joseph pepper and Roger

warrant

Stevens greeting you are hearby required forthwith to warn the several inhabitance of the town of Dudley in each of your wards to meet at our meeting house in sd town on thirsday ye 17 day of instent at 12 a clock then and there to act upon the following articles

1) to grant what settlement and sallerry you are willing to allow to the reverend m^r perlly how which we have allready chose for our minister

2) to chuse a commitee to present the towns call and proposals to the sd m^r perlly how and make your return by order of the select men

Benjaⁿ conant town clerk

town meeting at a meeting of the inhabitance of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on thirsday ye 17 day of April 1735

1) voted and chōse m^r georg robinson moderater for sd meeting

2) voted to give the reverand m^r perlly how which we have already chose for our minister for his settlement the lot of Land that curnel Dudley gave to the town on that account together with on hundred pounds the first year the one half in money and the other half in labour in case the sd m^r how shall settle with us

3) voted to the sd m^r how for his yearly sallerry one hundred pounds a year and the sam to rise and fall as the vallation of money shall be for the futtuer

4) voted and chose capt Ebenezer Edmunds Benjaⁿ Conant and Leftenant Jonathan newell for a commitee to present our call and proposals to the sd m^r perlly how

Dudley maye y^e 5 1735

warnnt Worcester ss to the constables Joseph pepper and Roger

Stevens greeting you are hereby required forthwith to warn the several inhabitation in the town of Dudley in each of your wards to meet at our meeting house in sd town on wednesday ye 14 day of may instent at one a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

- 1) to receive the reverend m^r hows answer to the town
- 2) to grant m^r howe his yearly fire wood in case the sd m^r howe shall settle with us and desire the same
- 3) to prefix a day for the ordination in case m^r hows answer shall be to settle with us
- 4) to agree with some pertickeler person to make provison for the sd ordination if we shall proceed to have one or to chuse a committee take care of the same and also a house for the ministers meesingers and gentlemen to dine at and make your return by order of the select men

Benjaⁿ conant town clerk

to the inhabitants of the town of Dudley

Gentlemen

Whereas you have been inclind to give me an invitation to settle with you in ye great work of the ministry when I consider my own unworthyness for such a service & my insufficiency of my self to perform the same as I ought I cannot but be exceding fearfull of taking such a charg upon me But beleiving that the grace of that God who has called me to this work will be sufficient for me and hoping that you always consider ministers of the gosple as fellow men with your selves and subject to like passion with others and therefore will be candid and ingenuous towards them and so I shall not deny you your request and as to the things of this life neicssary for human support I have no need to tell you that the price of such things is Daily rising and that there is the prospect of Dearer living still and gentlemen I trust that you are all agreed that A minister of Christ ought to have an honourable maintainance suitable to his sacred charecter & station that he may not be

ye rewend
mr hows
answer

Abligd to intangle himself with the affairs of this life and I make no question but hartly willing to communicate to him that teacheth in all good thing for so hath the Lord ordained that those which preach the gosple should live of the gosple perswading my self therefore & depending upon this that as your outward circumstances increase and grow better you will proportionably & chearfully contribute to the bettering the condition & accomodations of him who labours among you in word and doctrine I say depending upon this that you will not tye me up to the Salerry you have already voted me when you shall be able to give more and my necessty requirs the same I accept of your call and invitation to settle among you in the great work of the ministry provided you consent to the following proposals viz

1 that you secure to me 115 acurs of land designd by coll^d Dudley for the help of the town in settleing a minister by a good warrent fee Deed from your select men

2) that you find and bring to my Dwelling house a sufficiency of cord wood for the maintainance of my own fires yearly and whereas you have generously voted me one hundred pounds besids the above sd lott of land as a consideration for my settling with you I would by no means be thought or understood to slight such an offer but when I consider the infancy of your town and the great charg you have been and still are at considering your number and ability & the difficulty of procureing of money at this day I should chuse that you would not Ablige your selves to pay that hundred pound by a rate but desire to leave every man to his free liberty to give me either in money or in labour as a consideration for settleing with you as much as he pleaseth not desiring any man to give more then he thinks he ought give towards the support of the gosple nothing doubting but that you will all remember that he which soweth plentifully shall reep plentifully thus requesting an interest in your addresses to heaven at all tims that I may be enabled to fullfill my ministry and asuring you that I shall bear you upon my heart before god continually and wishing you all imaginable temperal happiness & filicity But

especially most earnestly desiring present future and everlasting
happiness of your souls I subscribe yours
for Jesus sake
perley Howe

Killingley may y^e 14: 1735)

at a meeting of the inhabitation of the town of Dudley regu- town meeting
larly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on wednesday
ye 14 day of may 1735

1) voted and chose m^r Joseph Edmunds moderater for sd
meeting

2) voted and chose Jonathan newell clerk for sd meeting

3) voted that the town will find m^r howe a sufficiency of
cord wood for his own firs cut and carted to his dwelling house
in sd town and if any person or persons chusis rather to do
his proportion in money towards the same there is liberty for
it and to do the same yearly so long as the sd m^r howe shall
be our minister

4) voted that the second wednesday of june next insuing
shall be the day of ordination

5) voted and chose clement corbin and Joshua healy to
provid for the ordination

6) voted that the town will give sd corbin and healy twenty
pounds in money to defray the ordination charge

7) voted and chose m^r williams of pomfrit m^r cambel of
oxford m^r troop of woodstock m^r peebody of natick m^r cabit of
thompson and m^r walter of Roxbury to assist us in the ordaina-
tion of the reverend m^r perley howe to the work of the ministry
in Dudley

the day of the reverend m^r perley hows ordination to the
work of ye ministry in Dudley was on the 12 day of june 1735
and the sd m^r howe was the first minister that ever was settled
in sd town and the gentlemen that ordained m^r howe to sd

work was the reverend m^r troop of woodstock the reverend m^r peebody of natick and the reverend m^r walter of Roxbury

Dudley october y^e 3 1735

warrant

Worcester ss to constable Joseph pepper greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn the several inhabitance in the town of Dudley in your ward to meet at our meeting house in sd town on friday the tenth day of october instent at ten a clock in the morning then and there to act upon the following articles viz

- 1) to se what the town is in dept
- 2) to grant money to defray the charge of our town
- 3) to chuse a colector to gather our land tax
- 4) to se what proposals the town will make to william cartur for the county rode thats laid through his lot
- 5) and that all persons to whome the town is in dept bring in there account to the select men 2 or 3 days befor the meeting and make your return by order of the select men

Benjaⁿ conant town clerk

town meeting at a meeting of the inhabitance of the town of Dudley regularly asembled at our meeting house in sd town on friday ye tenth day of october 1735

- 1) voted and chose m^r Joseph Edmunds moderater for sd meeting
 - 2) voted and grant to defray what charge the town has been at towards our meeting house 313-6-2
 - 3) voted and chose David Southwick colector to gather our Land tax within town and out of town and to alow sd Southwick twelve pence per pound for all the money he colects
 - 4) voted to william cartur twenty shillings for the county rod thats laid through his lot east from his house
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Dudley April y^e 9 1733

A highway laid out by the select men of sd town from the southwest corner of the town of Dudley as follows begining at woodstock line south from Ebenezer Edmundses from thence eastward to the river called quinibog were there is now a foot brig from the river eastward to a larg whit oak on the south sid the highway from thens to a stak and heep of stons on judge Dudleys land straight to John burnuls bars and then one half on judg Dudley land and one half on Joseph Edmunds land up to the corner of sd Edmundss land from thens north between sd Edmundses land and Ebenezer bacons land through there lots and so straight to the south of Joshua healeys house and on the north side of his barn and straight through sd healeys land and philip newells land to the foot brig thats over sd newells brook from thens to our meeting house as the path now gose

Dudley April 30 1733

A highway laid out by the select men of sd town begining at m^r pumpilliens land runing south to Joseph putney jun^rs house and from the south sid of sd putneys house about east pritty straight to Ebenezer coburns feild bars and so through the corner of sd coburn feild and so on the southwest sid of sd coburn hill to Jonathan hobbses land from thens to the laine at the west end of nathan denises house one rode on sd denises land and one rode on Ebenezer coburns land and through sd denises land west of his house straight to the north end of roger Stevenses and thomas huchinses laine and so between sd Stevens and huchins and mackintier on the east sid of huchins and mackintiers Staks the whole of this roode is stakt out two rod wide down to philip newells land

Dudley may 12 1734

A highway laid out by the select men of said town as follows begining in the north part of Jonathan hobbsses land on the southwest sid of his hill and so through his lain by the west end of his house to a larg whit oak tree markt on the east side on the north part of roger stevenses lot from thens straight through Joshua Claffins land to a small whit oak markt on Benjaⁿ conants land on the west sid of a small run from thens to the north end of sd conants lain along by several whit oaks markt on the east sid were the lain is now fencet so along the lain by the west end of his house from thence pritty straight to a large chesnut markt on jaazaniah horsmers land west from his house from thens straight to the east end of Joseph peppers house by several markt trees one larg chesnut and two small wallnuts from thens to a larg whit oak stump with a stake and heap of stons southwest from sd peppers swamp from thens to a stake and heap of stons on sd peppers hill at the north end of william carturs lain and so along sd carturs lain to his house this rood being about a southeast corse from sd hobbsses and all on the northeast sid of sd marks and this rood is also allowed two rode wid and whereas m^r Joseph Scott had it proposed to him to have a rood on the east end of his lot he utterly refused it and said he desid^d none any nearer then the select men should lay it

Dudley April 30 1733

A highway laid out by the select men of sd town begun at the north end of william carturs lain and so east to the end of thomas cheeny lain from thens runing about north on the east end of Joseph peppers land so through Jams corbin jun^rs land between his house and barn from thens through thomas newells land about north to the southeast corner of nathan ramsdils lot from thence by the east sid of sd ramsdils land north about

one roo rod to a small walnut tree from thence west to sd
ramsdils barn yard or between his house & barn

a highway laid out by the select men of Dudley and consented
to by the persons concerned begining at Benjaⁿ newells west line
and through his feild between the old feild and the new on the
back to the brook were the path now is north of his orchard
from thence to a markt tree in the northwest corner of samuel
Scotts fence in the divition line between sd newell and sd
Scott from thence east to the south side of Scotts new house
along the lain as tis now fencet over Scotts brook by the bever
dame and from the southeast end of the lain straight to the
south corner of the great medew to a large whit oake tree
markt on the north side of the roode from thence about east to
the south side of John richs house from thence southeast to
a black oake tree markt on the west side of the roode beyound
his barn from thence southeast to a large whit oak tree near
jewells line and to Joseph jewells line from thence east on sd
jewells land to his northeast corner from thence baring east
and beneth a cross Benjaⁿ newells and jonathan newells land
pritty straight to the northwest corner of samuel newells hun-
dred acure lot this roode containing two rode in width

these several highways hear enterd in this Book an account
of them were brought in at our aneuel meeting in march 1735
and accepted by the town

rats made in october 1735 and deliverd into the constables
hands constable peppers lists for the minister and town
130-11-0 constable stevens lists for the minister and town

180-2-9 these severel lists with warnts for gathering the same signd by the select men and delivered to the constables

our anaual
meeting

at a meeting of the inhabitance of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday the first day of march 1736

1) voted and chose m^r Jonathan hobbs moderater for sd meeting

2) voted to have but three select men for the year insuing

3) voted Joseph Edmunds y^e first select man

4) voted Benjaⁿ conant y^e second select man

5) voted Sam :^{ll} Bayley y^e third select man

6) voted Benjaⁿ conant town clerk

7) voted Jonathan hobbs town treasurer

8) voted Joshua healy constable for the west end of the town

9) voted Jonathan newell and william cartur tything men

10) voted Benjaⁿ Davis and nathan denis survaers of fence

11) voted Jonathan newell and thomus cheney survaers of highways for ye west end

12) voted georg robinson and Sam :^{ll} child survaers of highway for ye east end

13) voted Benjamin white and Joshua claffin hog reaves

14) voted that swine shall go at large being yoked and ringed as the law directs

Dudley march 9 1736

warent

Worcester ss to constable Joseph pepper and Joshua healy greing you are hearby requird forthwith to warn the severel inhabitance in the town of Dudley in each of your wards to meet at our meeting house in sd town on tuesday y^e

16 day of march instente at 2 a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

- 1) to chuse a constable for the east end of the town
- 2) to agree with a person or persons to prepare stuff for the pullpit and the body seats and the ministers pue against another year and make your return by order of the select men
Benjaⁿ conant town clerk

at a meeting of the inhabitance of the town of Dudley regularly at our meeting house in sd town on tusday ye 16 day of march 1736 town meeting

- 1) voted and chose m^r Joseph Edmunds moderatr for sd meeting
- 2) voted william cartur constable for the east end of y^e town
- 3) voted and chose m^r georg robinson to prepare stuff for the pullpit and ministers pue and the body seat against another year

these several officers above namd have taken there oaths as the law directs oaths

Dudley maye y^e 13 1736

Worcester ss to the constables Joshua healey and william cartur greeting you are hearby requird forwith to warn the several inhabitance of the town of Dudley in each of your wards to meet at our meeting house in sd town on wensday y^e 19 day of may instent at three a clock after noon then and there to chuse a deputy for this year and mek your return by order of

Joseph Edmunds } Select
Sam^l Bayley } men

By virtue of this warnt we have warnd the several inhabi- warnt
tance of the town of Dudley in each of our wards to meet at

time and place within mentioned Joshua healey william
cartur constables

we the subscribers select men of Woodstock and Dudley have mett on ye 17 day of may 1736 according to y^e notification given agreable to the laws of the province of the massech^{ts} Bay with the assistence of cap^t william chandler survayere preambulated and renew the Bounds Between the sd townships of Woodstock and Dudley and begone at a certain heap of stons in the east Bounds of sd Woodstock in the strait line between the sd province of ye massachusetts Bay and colony of coneticut which is also one of southwest corners of sd township of Dudley which we renewed and in the east Bounds of sd Woodstock we next markt a white oak tree which is the north-west corner of the honourable judge Dudleys land we then markt a white oak tree which is the north east corner of Woodstock above sd we then proceaded in the sd preambulation and renewed the marks in north bounds of Woodstock above sd the first wareof was a white oak tree the next was a hemlock tree in a swomp which we renewed the third was a heap of stons under the top of a fallen whit oak tree the fourth was a heap of stons on the top of pin island medow hill in which sd heap of stons is a stone markt with with the letter following viz W I R I 1715 the next mark was a popler tree which we renewed and then we renewed a ded red oak tree at the west foot of pine island medow hill the next mark was a gray oak tree and then a heap of stons and then another gray oak tree all which sd marks we renewed we then renewed a heap of stons the southwest corner of colonel fichis farm which is also another southwest corner of the township of sd dudley at which corner we left as wittness our hands the day and year above sd

Jon ^{tn} payson	}	Select men of
Ebenezer child		woodstock
Joseph Edmunds	}	Select men
Benja ⁿ Conant		of Dudley

September ye 23 1736 the ministers rate made and delivered into the constables hands with warnts for colecting the same signd by the select men

Constable healys List 63-2-2

Constable Carturs List 53-6-3

Dudley February ye 25 1736-7

Worcester ss to constable Joshua healey greeting you are hearby required forthwith to warn the several inhabitance of the town of Dudley to meet at our meeting house in sd town on monday ye 7th day of march next insuing then and there to act upon the following articles

warnt

1) to chuse town officers for the year insuing

2) to accept of the several highway laid out for the town use the first from thomus cheneys the secound from samuel childes the third from Samuel richardsons and make your return by order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant town clerk

at a meeting of the inhabitance of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday ye 7 day of march 1737

our aneuel
meeting

1) voted and chose m^r Joseph Edmunds moderater for sd meeting

2) voted to have five select men for the year insuing

3) voted Joseph Edmunds y^e first select man

4) voted Benjaⁿ conant y^e secound select man

5) voted Samuel Bayley y^e third select man

6) voted Samuel newell y^e fourth select man

7) voted Jonathan hobbs y^e fifth select man

8) voted Benjaⁿ Conant town clerk

9) voted Jonathan hobbs town treasurer

10) voted nathan ramsdil constable for y^e east end of y^e

town and also Ebenezer bacon constable for y^e west end of ye town

- 11) voted Joseph jewell juner colector to gather our land tax
- 12) voted Samuel corbin and Joseph Wakfeild surveyers for highways the east end of the town
- 13) voted thomus cheney and Joshua claflin surveyers of highways for y^e west end of the town
- 14) voted Joseph pepper and Benjaⁿ newell tything men for the year insuing
- 15) voted Daniel coburn juner and uriah richardson hog reaves for the year insuing
- 16) voted Benjaⁿ white and paul rich fence veweirs for the year insuing
- 17) voted by the town and accepted of the several highways for the towns use namly from thomus cheneys to cornul fichs land and from Samuel childes to the indian land and from Samuel richardsons or from oxford line by kidders and Lillis to our meeting house and also a two rod rood from Benjaⁿ whits norwest cornur bounds to the other rood on curnul dudleys land by John Lillis north line

I Benjaⁿ white do now at this present meeting enter my desent against the vote that was past on the highway that coms from oxford line by kidders and lillis to our meeting house the several officers before mentioned have mostly taken there oaths as the Lawe directs

Dudley Fabruaray y^e 27 1735-6

a highwaye laid out by the select men of sd town and agreed upon by the persons concernd beginning at captain pumpilins line and runing south about sixty rode to a small black oak markit from thence through the cornur of thomus cheneys inclosuer to the brook called seeder swomp brook were the fence now is from thence on the north side of sd cheneys house from thence about south east near as the path now gose to the south side of Elisha Sabins house through his gardin to a small whit

oak tree markt on the northeast sid of sd rood and through the corner of sd Sabins inclosuer by a large whit oak tree on the east side of sd rood from thence to a markit pich pine tree on the west side of sd rood near the norwest corner of David Southwick fence and through sd Southwicks inclosuer on the bank by the intervale and so by the east end of his house and barn straight to cornul fichis line and the whole of sd rood from sd cheney to sd fichis line being about a southeast corse and this rood is allowed to be two rod and a half wide

Dudley november y^e 23 1736

a highwaye laid out by the select men of sd town as follows begining at Samuel childes house north to a black oak stump markt in the line between John brackit and sd childss from thence to a stake and heep of stons in another line between sd childss and sd brackit and straight to a chasnut stump in sd brackits land from thence straight to a white oake tree markt in Benjaⁿ Chamberlins land near the path thats now trod and and as the path now gos to a pich pine markt in sd chamberlins land from thence to heeps of stons in sd chamberlins land from thence as the path now gos to clement corbins southeast corner bounds in the path and as the path now gos on John robins land south of his house and from his house as the path now gos to a sartin white oake tree markt in the north east corner of judge dudley farm and so to the indian line and this rood being about a northwest corse three rode wid and the above mentioned marks all on the northeast sid of sd rood

Dudley march y^e 4th 1737

A highwaye laid out by by the select men of sd town for the towns use as follows begining at oxford line on on the graet hills on this sid oxford brige were the path is now trod and the path now gose to a large white oak tree markt on Samuel

richardson land by the south sid of sd path from thence to a large white oak tree markt on sd richardson land a little south-east from his house from thence through richard kidders land by the north end of his house and so by the northwest corner of sd kidders fence were the path now is to a white oake tree markt in sd kidders land from thence to a black oak tree markt on curnul dudleys land from thence to a white oak tree markt near John lillis north line and so by a large white oak tree markt in sd lillis land and so to the north end of sd lillis stone wall and on the east sid of sd wall and so to the brook were the path now is between Samuel corbins two peaces of meddow and from sd brook were the path is now trod through sd corbins land and through william carturs land and through the southeast corner of Samuel bayleys land and through y^e reverend m^r howes land south of his house we say were the path is now trod and through sd carturs lain to our meeting house and the above mentioned marks are all on the southeast side of sd rood and this sd rood being about a southerly corse baering to the west and is allowed to be four rod wide and allso a rood for Benjaⁿ white from the norwest corner of his land on cornul Dudleys land by John Lillis north line by a white oake tree markt near sd line this rood is allowed to be two rod wide into the other rood that coms from oxford line by John lillis to our meeting house and all these fourmentioned roods were all brought in at our aneuel meeting in march 1737 and accepted by the town

Dudley march y^e 25 1737

warnt

Worcester ss to the constables nathan ramsdil and Ebenezer Bacon greeting you are hearby required forthwith the several inhabitance in the town of dudley in each of your wards to meet at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e 4th day of April next at twelve a clock then and there to act upon the following articles

1) to proseed to do something furtherere to our meeting

house v^z to build the pulpit the ministers pew and the body seats and also to chuse a commitee to git this work done

2) to hire schoolling for our children a reading school for summer and a writing school for winter and likewise to chuse a commitee to provide for schooling

3) to see if the town will give liberty for the building a stable or stables by our meeting house to those persons that shall appear to build the same

4) to fill up the town with town officers for ye year insuing and your return by order of the select men

Benjaⁿ conant town clerk

at a meeting of the inhabitance of the town of Dudley regu- town meeting
lerly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday the forth day of April 1737

1) voted and chose m^r Joseph Edmunds moderater for sd meeting

2) a vote was ask if they would do something further to our meeting house and the vote was on the negitive

3) voted that any person or persons that have a mind to build a stable or stables on the fore acurs of land at our meeting house on either of the lins they have liberty

4) voted Elisha Sabin surveyer of highways for y^e year insuing

5) voted Ebenezer davison fence vewer for the year insuing

Dudley may y^e 11th 1737

Worcester ss to the constables nathan ramsdil and Ebenezer Bacon greeting you are hearby required forthwith to warn the several inhabitance of the town of Dudley in each of your wards to meet at our meeting house in sd town on wensday the 18th day of maye instent at 3 a clock after noone

warn

than and there to chuse a representative to atend on the great and and general court to be held in Bostun on the 25 of this instent and also to provid stuff to do sumthing further to our meeting house and likewise to chuse a commitee for the same and make your return by order of the select men

Benjaⁿ conant town clerk

no meeting nothing acted on this warnt

Sep^t y^e 15th 1737

The minsters rate made and delivered into the constables hands with warnts for gathering the same

the west end list—54-8-6

the east end list—45-19-6

Dudley September y^e 13 1737

warnt

Worcester ss to the constables Nathan ramsdil and Ebenezer bacon greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn the several inhabitance in each of your wards in the town of Dudley to meet at our meeting house in sd town on tusday y^e 20th day of Sep^t instent at one a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

1) to agree upon some proper nathed for procuring the reverend m^r howes firewood

2) to se if the town will agree that a notification set up at our meeting house shall be a suficent warning for the inhabitance of this town to bring in there invoice for the futuer and make your return by order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant town clerk

town meeting at a meeting of the inhabitance of the town of Dudley regu-

lerly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on tuesday y^e
20th day of September 1737

- 1) voted m^r Joseph Edmunds moderater for sd meeting
- 2) voted to find y^e reverend m^r howes 30 cord of cord wood
by a rate cut and carted to his house and corded up
- 3) voted ten pounds ten shillings to find m^r hows firwood
for this year and that every man shall have liberty to do his
proportion in labour or monye

Dudley november y^e 10th 1737

Worcester ss to the constables nathan ramsdil and Eb-
enezer bacon greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to
warn the several inhabitance of the town of Dudley in each of
your wards to meet at our meeting house in sd town on friday
y^e 18th of november instent at one a clock after noon then and
there to act upon the following aarticle

warut

- 1) to procure stuff for doing sumthing more to our meeting
house namly the pullpit the body seats the ministers pue and
deceons seat
- 2) to chuse a commitee to git the sd work done
- 3) to see if the town will tax the Dudleys Land and
make your return by order of the select men

Benjaⁿ conant town clerk

at a meeting of the inhabitance of the town of Dudley regu-
lerly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on friday y^e
18th day of november 1737

town meeting

- 1) voted and chose decean Edmunds moderater for sd
meeting
- 2) voted to procure stuff to do sumthing more to our meet-
ing house namly the pullpit the body seats the minesters pue
and deceans seat
- 3) voted and chose Benjaⁿ Conant william cartur and ma-

nasah horsmere for a commitee to procure the above mentioned stuff for our meeting house and to git the sd work done as soone as may be with conveniency

our anual
meeting

at a meeting of the inhabitance of the town of Dudley regularly asembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e 6th day of march 1738

1) voted and cose m^r Joseph Edmunds moderater for sd meeting

2) voted Benjaⁿ conant town clerk

3) voted to have five select men for the year insuing

4) voted Joseph Edmunds the first select man

5) voted Benjaⁿ conant the second select man

6) voted Jonathan hobbs the third select man

7) voted Samuel newell the fourth select man

8) voted Samuel Bayley the fifth select man

9) voted Joseph Edmunds town treasurer

10) voted Joseph Wakfeild constable for the east end of y^e town

11) voted nathan Denis constable for the west end of the town

12) voted Joseph pepper and Benjaⁿ Davis survayers for the east end of y^e town

13) voted John Burnel and Ebenezer coburn survayers for the west end of y^e town

14) voted John Brackit and Elijah Dodge fence vewere for the year insuing

15) voted Joseph jewel senr and Jacob Bradbery tything men

16) voted that swine shall go at large

17) voted John robins and John rich jun^{er} hogs reves for y^e year insuing

18) voted Jonathan newell scaler of waits and maesurs and these above mentioned officcers have taken there oaths as the Lawe directs

Dudley may y^e 15th 1738

Worcester ss to eithere of the constables of the town of Dudley greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn the several inhabitance of the town of Dudley to meet at our meeting house in sd town on tusday the 23 day of may instent at one a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

warn

1) to chuse a representitive to sarve at the great and general court to be holden at Boston this year during there sesions

2) to se if town will consider the reverend m^r howe as to mak some addition to his salerry

3) to propos sume method in disposing the room in the meeting house for the puses and make your return by order of the select men

Benjaⁿ conant town clerk

meeting

at a meeting of the inhabitance of the town of Dudley regularly asembled at our meeting house in sd town on tusday the twenty third day of may 1738

1) voted and Decean Edmunds moderater for sd meeting

2) a vote was askt weather the town would send a deputy to the general and they declind sending

3) voted twenty pounds in addition to the reverend m^r hows salerry for this year

4) vote to the reverend m^r howe a roome in our meeting for a pue pertielerly to himself and family on the same footing that the rest of the roome shall Be disposed of this vote concerning the pue was in answer to m^r hows request

5) voted that those persons which have the roome in the meeting house for the puse shall build the same

Dudley Town Records, 1738.

the east end of the town rate to y^e minister 59-16-3

the west end of the town rate to y^e minister 73- 1-0

the east end of the town rate to y^e province 19-19-5

the west end of the town rate to y^e province 24-10-3

these sd rats were made and delivered into the constables hands with a warnt to each for colecting the same namly to Joseph wakfield constable for the east end and nathan Denis constable for the west end of the town

Dudley September ye 29th 1738

Ddley november y^e 24th 1738

warnt

Worcester ss to the constables Joseph wakfield and nathan Denis greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn the several inhabitance of the town of Dudley in each of your wards to meet at our meeting house in sd town on friday the first day of December next at two a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following artiels

viz to chuse a select man in y^e roome of m^r Bayley late removed and make your return by order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant town clerk

meeting

at a meeting of the inhabitance of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd on friday the first day of December 1738

1) voted and chose Decean Edmunds moderater for sd meeting

2) voted Jonathan hobbs clerk for sd meeting

3) voted captain Edmunds select man in m^r Bayleys roome late removed

Dudley December y^e 18th 1738

warnt

Worcester ss to the constables Joseph wakfeild and

nathan Denis greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn the severall inhabitation of the town of Dudley in each of your wards to meet at our meeting house in sd town on tuesday ye 20th day of December instent at ten a clock in the fore noone then and there to act upon the following articles

1) to see weather the town will give the reverend m^r howe ten pounds to provide his firewood for this year or provide him a sufficiency of firewood according to the town vote.

2) to vote howe many pews they will have in the meeting house

3) to Dispose of the pews in our meeting house to those persons as the town shall think proper and likewise upon what footing they shall have and enjoye them

4) to chuse a committee if the town shall think needfull and make your return by order of the select

Benjaⁿ conant town clerk

at a meeting of the inhabitation of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on tuesday ye 26th day of December 1738

meeting

1) voted and chose decean Edmunds moderater for sd meeting

2) voted to the reverend m^r howe ten pounds in mony for this year to provide his one firewood for this year

3) voted have seventeen pews in our meeting house on the lower flower

4) voted and reconsiderd thee vote that past the 23 day of may last that the reverend m^r howe should have a pewe in our meeting house to himself and family

5) voted that those persons that are inhabitation of the town which have been highest in the charges of the town since we were incorporated into a township shall have the pews in our meeting house

6) voted that those persons which the pews are voted to they and there heirs are to enjoye them during there abode in

the town and if they remove out of the town then there pews are to return to the towns disposal the town paying those persons there first cost in building the same

7) voted to the honourable curmul Dudley roome in our meeting house for a pewe if his honour desirs the same

8) voted to m^r Sam^l morris senier roome in our meeting house for a pewe for he and his wife during there life to set in the fore seats

9) voted the select men as a commitee to sarch the lists to find who is highest in the chargs of the town and make return thereof to the town

Dudley January y^e 8th 1738-9

warrant

Worcester ss to the constables Joseph wakfield and nathan Denis greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn the several inhabitance of Dudley in each of your wards to meet at our meeting house in sd town on tusday the 16th day of january instent at one a clock after noone then and there to act on the following articles

1) for the town to receive the commitees return to the town relating to the pews in our meeting house

2) to confirm the pews to those persons they belong unto according to the town vots and make your return by order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant town clerk

meeting

at a meeting of the inhabitance of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on tusday the 16th of january 1738-9

1) voted and chose esq^r vintin moderater for sd meeting

2) voted not to except of the commitees return to the town relating to the pews in our meeting house

Dudley january y^e 18th 1738-9

Worcester ss to the constables Joseph wakfield and warnt
nathan Denis greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to
warn the several inhabitance of the town of dudley in each of
your wards to meet at our meeting house in sd town on friday
the 26th day of january instent at one a clock after noone then
and there to act upon the following artiels

- 1) to hear the commitees report to the town relating to the pews in our meeting house
- 2) to confirm the pews to those persons they belong unto according to the town vote and make your return by order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant town clerk

at a meeting of the inhabitance of the town of Dudley regu- town meeting
lerly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on friday the
26th day of january 1738-9

- 1) voted and chose Decean Edmunds moderater for sd meeting
- 2) voted in answer to the reverend m^r hows request that the minesterial pewe shall be built at the west end of the pulpit adjoining to the pulpit stairs
- 3) voted to confirm the pews to those persons which have been highst in the chargs according to the formere vote of the town relating to the pews in our meeting house
- 4) voted to the honourable cornul Dudley a pewe adjoining to the east end of the pulpit
- 5) voted to Decean Edmunds the norwest corner pewe
- 6) voted to william cartur a pewe adjoining to the east sid the front doore
- 7) voted to Joshua healy a pewe adjoining to the west sid the front doore
- 8) voted to Sam^l newell the midle pewe in the north sid of the meeting house east from the pulpit

Dudley Town Records, 1738-9.

- 9) voted to cap^t Edmunds a pewe on the south sid the west doore
- 10) voted to Esq^r vintin a pewe adjoining on the north sid the east doore
- 11) voted to georg robinson a pewe adjoining on the south sid the east doore
- 12) voted to clement corbin a pewe adjoining on the north sid the west doore
- 13) voted to Joseph Scott Senier y^e pewe adjoining to william carturs
- 14) voted to Ebenezer Bacon a pewe adjoining to Joshua healys
- 15) voted to Benjaⁿ Conant a pewe in the northeast corner of the meeting house
- 16) voted to Daniel Coburn Sen^r ye midle pew adjoining to Esq vintins
- 17) voted to David Southwick the midle pewe adjoining to clement corbins

Dudley february y^e 8th 1738-9

warent

Worcester ss to the constables Joseph wakfield and nathan Denis greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn the several inhabitance of the town of Dudley in each of your wards to meet at our meeting house in sd town on tusday the 20th day of february instent at one a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articiles

- 1) to dispose of the pewe we voted to cornul Dudley sence that cornul Dudley has not accepted the towns offore
- 2) to dispose of them two pews under the stairs to those persons the town shall think proper and make your return by order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant town clerk

at a meeting of the inhabitation of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on tuesday the 20th Day of february 1738-9 meeting

1) voted and chose Decean Edmunds moderater for sd meeting

2) voted that m^r Sam^l morris Sen^r shall have that pewe adjoining to the east end of the pullpit upon cornul Dudley refusing the same the sd m^r morris and his heirs are to injoye the sd pew upon there paying what is behind towards the chargs of our meeting house in proportion to what another has paid that has a pewe of the like Dignity and also so long as they shall pay towards the chargs of our town refering to finishing the meeting house and the ministers rate and if the sd m^r morris or his heirs shall neglect or refuse to pay therec proportion of the sd chargs then the sd pewe is to return to the town again

3) voted to m^r Jonathan newell that pewe adjoining to the west part of m^r Ebenezer bacons

m^r georg robinson Jams corbin Joseph putney nathan denis Sam^l Corbin paul robinson & nathan rafmsdill these persons above named now at this present meeting do hear enter there desent against this vote relating to m^r morrises having a pewe in our meeting house

Dudley march y^e 21^t 1739

Worcester ss to the constabls Nathan Dennies and Joseph Wakfeild greeting you are hearby Required forthwith to warn the several inhabitation of the Town of Dudley in your wards to meet at our meeting house in sd Town on fryday the 30th day of march instant at eight of the clock in the morning then and there to act upon one of the following articles as first to confirm the proceedings of our last meeting which was on the first monday of this instant march provided that the honourabel judge Chandler shall say that the Towns voting to go on in our former method will qualify our select

a warnt for
our anuel
meeting

men to dispos of land in order to procure our land tax and if not then secondly to purge the meeting as the Law directs and com to a new choice of Town officers and make your returns by order of the select men

Benjmain Conant Town Clerk

by virtue of this warent I have warned the several inhabetance of the town of Dudley in my ward to meet at the place mentioned nathan Denies Constabel

annual
Town meeting

at a meeting of the inhabetance of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd Town on fryday the 30th day of march 1739

- 1) voted and chose Decon Edmunds moderater for sd meeting
- 2) voted to have five select men this year
- 3) voted John Lillie Town Clerk
- 4) voted George Robison the first select man
- 5) voted John Lillie the second select man
- 6) voted Richard Kidder the third select man
- 7) voted Benjamien Newill the fourth select man
- 8) voted Manasseh Horsmor the fifth select man
- 9) voted the select men in assesors
- 10) voted Richard Kidder Town Treasurer
- 11) voted Samuell Corbin Constabel for the east end of the Town
- 12) voted to Samuell Neuell his account of 3 pounds and allowed to him for sarvice done for the Town
- 13) voted Samuell Neuell Constabele for the west end of the Town and sd Neuell Refusing to sarve paied his five pounds
- 14) voted Joseph Scott Sener Constable for the west end of the Town
- 15) voted Jacob Bradbury and philep Corbin survayers of high wayes for the east end of the Town

- 16) voted Joseph Putney and Thomas Cheney survayers of high wayes for the west end of the Town
- 17) voted Nathan Ramsdil and Nathaniel Juell fens vewers
- 18) voted Joseph Jewell Sener and John Brackit tithying men
- 19) voted Benjamin White and Jacob Chamberlin hogreves
all these offisers have taken their several oathes as the Law directs



Worsester ss To Joseph Scoott and Samuel Corbin of ^{a warn for a} Dudley in sd County Constabels for sd Dudley greeting ^{Town meeting}

These are in his majesties name to Require you forthwith to warn the freeholders and other inhabitence of sd Town in each of your wards that have Estate so that they are qualefied according to law to vot to meet at the meeting hous of sd Dudley on tusday the 22 of may instant at one of the clock afternon to make choys of a man qualefied according to law to sarve and Represent the sd Town in a grate and General Court or assembly appointeed to be holden and convend and kept for his majesties sarvice at the Court house in Boston upon Wensday the thirtyth day of may instant and allso to act upon the following artecls if thay see cause



- 1) to see whether the Town will build a pound for sd Town and if the Town see fitt to buld the pound then to agree with a man or men to do the work
- 2) to see whether the Town will agree to hire som fite parson or parsons to scholl thair children to reed in the sumer season and allso to see whether the Town will hire som fite parson or parsons to school them to wright in the winter season and if the Town see reason to do either of them to agree whare to meet to school them and allso to agre upon a sum of money to be raised upon the inhabetence for defraying the charges their of



We the subscribers select men of Dudly and Oxford have meet on the Eighth day of may 1739 according to the notefications given agreabel to the Law of this provence with the asistons of Luten^t Isaac Larned surveiar and Decon Samuella Davis preambeluated and renued the bounds between the Towns of oxford and Dudley and begon at the brook coming out of the pond caled Chabunagungamaug and then 2ly runeng westerthly to a stump and a heap of stons 3ly from thense to gray oak tre on the west sid of the brook near the milles of mir Robsons which tree is lettered with O D 4ly from thense to a white oak tree and 5ly from thens to the brook wheare it runs into the River 6ly then northely partly on the River and partly on the land of Luten^t Isaac Larnerd to a heape of stons on the north side of a Lettel brook neare the Rood that goes from oxford to Woodstock which is sd Larnerd norwest corner 7ly from thens west to a pich pine tree on a ridged nole in judg Dudleys south Line letterd with O D 8ly from thense to a heap of stons upon a Rock which is judg Dudleys southwest corner 9ly from thense to north to a black oak tree in a Lettel swamp 10ly from thense to a dad white pine tree in the end of a swamp 11ly from thense to black barch tree upon a rock near the Rood that goos from oxford to Dudley 12 from thense to a white oak tree 13 from thense to a grat heap of stons which is the north east corner of Dudley Town ship and the northwest Corner judg Dudleys farm 14ly from thense west to a white oak tree which is Richardsons northeast corner 15ly from thense to a grate white oak tree on the east side of the Long medow 16ly from thense to a white oak tree on the west side of the medow 17ly from thens to a reed oak tree with a heape of stons about it 18ly from thens to a wallnut tree and a heap of stons about it 19ly from thense to a Read oak tree near the pond 20ly from thense to a black oak tree on the west side of the pond 21ly from thense to a white oak tree on the east side of the letele pond 22ly white oak tre on the west side of the pond 23ly from thense to a white oak tree on the west side of a swamp near to a stak and heap of stons 24ly from thense

to dad white pine tree neare a Rocke valey 25ly from thense
 to a white oak tre near Samuell Scotts southwest corner which
 is a stake and heap of stons 26ly from thense to a lettele white
 oak tree and a heap of stons at the root of it 27ly from thense
 to a grate white pine tree neare to trout brook near where it
 runs into the River 28ly from thense to a walnut tree and a
 side hill 29ly from thense to a white oak tree 30ly from thense
 to a heap of stons which is Dudleys northwest corner of the
 Township and oxford southwest corner of their Township at
 which corner we left of as Wittnes our hands the day and
 year above said

Luten ^t Isaac Larnard	}	Select men of oxford
Dacon Samu ^l Davise		
George Robson	}	Select men of Dudley
John Lillie		

and make due Returns of these warents with doings their in
 to us the select men at the time and plase above sd given
 under my hand and seal at Dudley above sd this 11th day of
 may 1739 by order of the Select men

John Lillie Town Clerk

by vartue of these warnts we have warned the several in-
 habetence of the Town of Dudley in each of our wards to
 meet at time and plase with in mentioned

Joseph Scott Samuel Corbin Constabels

at a meeting of the inhabetence of the town of Dudley Regu- Town meeting
 lerly assembled at our meeting hous in sd Town on tusday
 the 22 of may 1739

- 1 voted and choos Esqr vintteen moderater for sd meting
- 2 voted to biuld a pound
- 3 voted to seet the pound upon the northeast corner of the
 four acers that the meeting hous stands on
- 4 voted mir manasseh Horsemor to buld a sufisant pound
 of thirtey foot squar for the Town for six pounds and to main-

tain it ten years and after the teen years are expired what remains of sd pound to be the Towns

5 voted to have a school kept upon the four acers belonging to the Town wher the meeting house stands

6 voted to biuld a school house twenty too foot long and eighteen foot wide and eight foot stud and to biuld the sd school house upon the Towns Land

7 voted by the said inhabetence to raise six and forty pounds of money to defray the charges of building the sd pound and school house

8 voted by the sd inhabetence to raise twenty pounds of money to defray the scharges of schooling the sentter part of the Town to have their part of the above sd money and also each end of the Town to draw their proportion of the money and to lay it out in schooling their children

a warrant for a
Town meeting



Worsester ss to Joseph Scott Sener and Samuell Corbin of the Town of Dudley in the Countey of Worsester the Constables of sd Town Greeting these are in his majesties nam to will and Require you forthwith to warne all the freeholders and other inhabetence qualefied according to Law to vot in Town meetings in each of your wards to meet at our meeting house in sd Town on thursday the 13 day of september Instant at nine a Clock in the morning then and their to act upon the following artickels if thay see cause

1ly to see whether the Town will adde aney thing to the Revd mr Hows salerey again this year

2ly to see whether the Town will agree to give teen pounds in money to the Reverd mr How this year instead of his fire wood

3ly for the Comitee that was consarned about biulding of the meeting house and Colectors and Town Treasueres to bring in their acounts to the Town or to such a Comitee as the Town shall chuse consarning what money and work thay

have reseed of the inhabetence of this Town of their Land Tax

4ly wheareas there are sundrey parsons verry uneasy Consarning their Right in the pue room for the Town to see if they are wronged and to endever to Right them in som way and maner

5ly to see whether the Town will Reconsider that vote that was past consarning mr morrises having a pue for himself and heirs and to dispos of it as the Town shall see fite and make due Return of these warents with youer dooings their in to us the subscribers at the time and plase above sd as you will answer youer Default at the pains and penealty of the Law in that case made and provided at Dudley this 7th day of September A D 1739

George Robson	} Select men
John Lillie	
Richard Kidder	
Benjamin Newell	

by virtue of these warents wee have warned the severall inhabetence of the Town of Dudley in each of our wards to meet at the time and plase within mentioned

Joseph Scott Sen^r and Samuell Corbin Constables

at a meeting of the inhabetence of the Town of Dudley Reg-^{Town meeting} ularly asembled at our meeting hous in sd Town on thursday y^e 13th day of September A D 1739

voted and chose mr George Robson modrater for sd meeting
1ly voted to the Rev mr How twenty pounds to be added again to his salerey this year

2ly voted to give to the Revd mr How teen pounds of money of the old tenor this year instead of his fire wood

3ly no vote past upon this artickel

4ly no vote past upon this artickel

5ly voted not to Reconsider that vote that was past on

febuarey the 20th 1738-9 relating to mir morrices having a pue for himself and heirs

The west end of the Town Rates for the minester - 72-5-11

The east end of the Town Rates for the minester - 64-8-6

These sd Rats ware mad and Delivered into the Constabels hands with a warrent to each for Collectting of the same namly to Joseph Scott Constabel for the west end and Samuel Corbin Constabl for the east end of the Town

Dudley October ye 5th 1739

The notefications that ware posted up by the assessors of the Town of Dudley of the Delinquent propriters Land in sd Town and at Worsester is as follows

Worsester ss These are to Cartifie all the Inhabetant Proprietors of the Town of Dudley in sd Countey and allso all the propriators in said Town NonResidants that the asesors of sd Dudley have asessed theire Lands at two pence par acer for the Bulding the meeting house and other nesary charges of the propriators of sd Town persuant to a grant or act of the grat and General Court and that the asesors of sd Town have yearly asessed sd Lands Lieng in sd Dudley at at tow pence per acer from the year 1732 until five years ware fully acomplyshed and fullfild by a yearly Liste now these are to notifie all the Inhabetant propriators of sd Town and NonResident propriators in sd Town alls that have not paid their Land tax in full as afore said that thay pay it in to the Town Trasnerer of sd Town of Dudley within sixty dayes from the day of the Date of this notification or else the asesors of sd Town wilj proced to sell the Delinquents Lands as the Law of this

Providence provids in such Case Dated at Dudley afor said
the eighth day of august A D 1739

Gorge Robinson	} assessors for sd Dudley
John Lillie	
Richard Kidder	
Benjamin Newell	
Menasseh Horsmore	

Worsester ss to Joseph Scott of the Town of Dudley in ^{A warent for a} the Countey of Worsester a Constabel of sd Town Greet- ^{Town meeting}
ing these are in his Majesties name to will and Require
you forthwith to warne all the freeholders and other inhabe-
tence qualefied according to Law to vote in Town meetings in
the Town of Dudley to meet at our meeting house in sd Town
on monday the 10th day of December instant at one of the clock
in the after none then and their to act upon the Following
artekel viz to chuse two meet parsons whos care and dutye
it shall be to inform of all breaches of the Late act had against
killing aney Decar Contarary to sd act and make due
Return of this warrent with your doings there on to us the
Subscribers at the Time and plase above sd as you will answer
your Default at the pains and penealty of the Law in that case
made and provided



at Dudley this third day of December A D 1739

John Lillie	} Select men for sd Dudley
Richard Kidder	
Benjamin Newell	

by vertue of this warrent I have warned the several inhabe-
tence of the Town of Dudley to meet at the time and plase
within mentioned

Joseph Scott Constabel

Town meeting at a meeting of the inhabetence of the Town of Dudley Regulary assembled at our meeting hows in sd Town on monday the 10th day of December A D 1739

1 voted and choose m^r George Robenson modarater fo sd meeting

2 voted and choose m^r George Robenson and Thomas Newell to be the men to inform of all breaches of the above sd act

Dudley may y^e 8th 1739

We the subscribers select men of the Towns of Woodstock and Dudley according to appointment then meet and with the assistance of Cap Wm Chandler surveyer Preambelated and new markt all the bounds where sd Woodstock and Dudley adjoyns we began at the southwest of sd Dudley it being a heap of stons in the East Bounds of sd Woodstock in the strait line betwen the Coloney of Conetcut and the provence of the masschuset bay which heap of stons we Renewed then we went north in the sd east bounds of Woodstock and new markt a white oak tree the northwest corner of Judge Dudleys Land then we went to the northeast corner of sd Woodstock which was a white oake tree which we also renewed in new marking and putting stons about it we then proseded in the preamblation and new market all the bounds and monements in the north bounds of sd Woodstock untill we come to a heape of stons another corner of sd Dudley it being the southwest corner of mr Vintons Land where we left of as wittness our hands the day and year abov said

Benj Child	}	Select men of Woodstock
Edward Morris		
John Lillie	}	Select men of Dudley
Benjamin Newell		
menassch Horsmor		

a notefication

This is to notefy all the non Resident proprietors of the Town of Dudley in the Countey of Worcester that have not payed all their Land Tax that is Taxd by the assessors of sd Dudley at two pence per acre by vertue of an act of the Great and General Court to asses the unimproved Lands of sd Dudley from the year A D 1732 until five years are past and gon that their Lands will be sould at a vendue if not speedily paid the tax as much of it a will pay what Remains unpaid and charges of sd Tax to those that will give most for it and the plase of sail wi l be at the house of Clement Corbins inholder of sd Dudley on the second Tusday of February next ensuing the dat of this notification at ten of the clock in the forenoon at which time and place the sd assessors will attend and at that time of day until it be sould by order of us assessors of sd Dudley Dated at Dudley aforesaid October the 17th 1739

George Robinson	} assessors for said Dudley .
John Lillie	
Kichard Kidder	
Manasseh Horsmor	
Benjamin Newell	

Worcester ss to Joseph Scott and Samuell Corbin of the Town of Dudley in the Countey of Worcester Constabls of sd Town Greeting these are in his majesties name to will and Require you forthwith to warn all the free holders and other inhabetence qualefied according to Law to vote in Town meetings in each of your wards to meet at our meeting house in sd Town on mouday the 3^d day of march next enseuing at nine of the clock in the morning then and their to act upon the following artickels if thay see cause

- 1 to chuse Town officers as the Law directs
- 2 to see whether the Town will accept of the several high-

ways that have been Layed out by the select men this present year

3 to see whether the Town will come into sum other method consering mending of our highways

4 to see whether the Town will agree with som fit pearson to take care of the meeting hous doors and key and to swep the meeting house and to bring water so ofen as it is needed to baptize the children and make due return of these warents with your doings thereon to us the subscribers at time and plase above sd as you will answer your default at the pains and peanalty of the Law in that case mad and provided at Dudley this 25 day of February annadom 1739-40

John Lillie	} Select men for sd Dudley
Richard Kidder	
Benjamin Newell	

by vertue of these wafrents wee have warned the several inhabetence of the Town of Dudley in each of our wards to meet at time and place within mentioned

Joseph Scoot Samuel Corbin Constabels

annual
Town meeting

at a meeting of the inhabetence of the Town of Dudley Regularly asembled at our meeting hous in sd Town on monday the 3^d day of march annodom 1739-40

- 1 Chosen Capt Ebnezer Edmunds modrator for sd meeting
- 2 voted to have five select men this yeare
- 3 voted John Lillie Town Clerk
- 4 voted John Lillie the first select man
- 5 voted Richard Kidder the second select man
- 6 voted Benjamin Newell the third select man
- 7 voted manasseh Horsmore the forth select man
- 8 voted Clement Corbin the fifth select man
- 9 voted the select men to be asesors
- 10 voted Richard Kidder Town Treasuerer
- 11 voted Thomas Cheaney Constabel for the west end of the Town

12 voted Thomas Newell Constabel for the east end of the Town

13 voted Willam Carter and Benjamin Putney Surveiers for the east end of the Town

14 voted Joshua Healy and Elisha Saben Surveiors for the west end of the Town

15 voted philip Newell and Philip Corbin tything men

16 voted Ebenezer Coburn and Jacob bradbury fens vewers

17 voted that the swine should go at Large being youked and ringed

18 voted Daniel Coburn jun and Frances Carter Hog Reves

19 voted Joseph Saben and Samuel Child a informers or complaners of any pearsons that kill Deear Conterary to the Lat act

20 voted that the select men should agree with som parson to tak care of the meeting house

21 voted by the Town to accept of all the highwayes that ware Layed out by the select men this yeare excepting that throu Joseph Davis without pertickuler men do give him ten pounds in money by the first of may and if thay do then it is exepted and if thay do not then it is to be void and of none efect all these before menteoned officers have taken the aire their oaths as the Law directs

Dudley Apriel ye 3^d 1739 a highway Layed out by the select men of sd Town and Exepted by the Town at the anual meeting march 3^d 1740 and is as follows begining at a stack and heap of stons on the west side of quinebouge River which stake and heap of stons staning on the south side of sd river near the foot bridge which is over sd river and from thense runing near northwest by a Line of heap of stons to another stack and heap of stons near Capt Edmunds dwelling house the sd road to be four rods wide and all the sd markes are on the southwest side of sd rood and then runing west from sd stak and stons to another stak and heap of stons and from thense to

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Woodstock Line to a Lettel red oak stak with a heap of stons about it which rood from the stak and heap of stons that is near Capt Edmunds is eight rods wide to Woodstock Line and all these markes are on the south side of sd rood and the whole of sd rood is Layed out on judg Dudleys Land

Dudley November ye 26 1739 a highway Layed out by the select men of sd Town and Exepted by sd Town at our annual meeting on march the 3^d 1740: and is as follows begining at Philip Corbins hous and from thense near west to the R^d mr Hows southeast corner which is a stak and heap of stons and so upon Philip Corbins south Line on the south sid of it to a Lettel white oak tree with a heap of stons about it which is sd Corbins northwes corner of his Lot and from thense near southwest to a black oak tree markt on three sids of it on the Indians Land and from thense to a grate Chusnut tree markt on thre sids and from thense to a walnut tree markt on the east sid on a Lettel Run and from thense to a small read oak and from thens to a small white oak tree and from thense to read oak tree near the rood that comes from mr Robesons mill and goes to the meeting hous and all the sd markes are on the northerly side of sd road and said road to be two rods wide

Dudley February y^e 27th 1739-40 a highway Layed out by the select men of sd Town and exepted by sd Town at the annual meeting on march the 3^d 1740 and is as it follows begining at Richard Kidders west Line at a black oak tree markt standing in the rood that coms from Oxford to Dudley and so runing near west on the Land belonging the heirs of governer Dudley to a white oak tree markt on the east side of a Lettel run and so a Long as the path now goes between a Lettel medow and swamp and from thense to a Larg white

oak tree markt and so a long as the path now goes to the pond brook and then up the brook to the pond and over sd brook clost to the pond and so west to to Thomas Newells Land and throu sd Newells Land to a white oak tree markt near sd Newells twenty acere Lot and so up Rocke hill as the path now goes to the top of the hill and then in the foot path on the north side of a Letel swamp and so into the rood that comes from James Corbins and so along in sd rood as it was formerly Layed out to Nathan Ramsdels barn yard and through his barn yard west through his Lot to a pich pine tree markt on the north sid of the rood and from thens to his west Line and from his west Line near southwes through mr Ebenezer Goers Land to a chasnut tree markt on the southeast side of the rood near Ebenezer Davisons north Line and from thense straight to a white oak tree markt on the east sid of the rood and from thense through Ebenezer Davisons Land betwen his hous and barn and as the path now goes down to the rood that comes from Jonathan Hobbs and goes to Deacon Conants and the whole of said rood is to be two rods wide and the most of sd markes are on the northerly sid of sd rood

Dudley February the 28th 1739-40 a highway Layed out by the select men of sd Town and exepcted by the Town at our anual meeting on march the 3^d 1740 and is as follows be- gining at white oak tee markt a Lettel northeas of Joseph Vintons hous and from thense near northeast down to the river over sd river to a smal white oak tree markt and so throu Esq Vintons Entervail to his Lane to the Lettel bridge on the west side of the bridge and so through sd Vintons Land under ratelsnake rock as the path now goes to the top of the hill to a heap of stons and from thense near north in James Taylors Land to a white oak tree with a heap of stons about it and from thense to a to a walnut tree in sd Taylors Land with a heap of stons about it and from thense through sd Taylors Land to Joseph Jewells Jun norwest corner and so through sd

Jewells Land on his north Line on the south sid of it tow rods wide to Joseph Jewells sen Land and along on his north line on the south side of it two rods wide unto the rood that comes from John Taylors and from a heap of stons in sd Taylors Land runing near southeast through Joseph Jewells sen nor-east corner of his Land straight to a grat chasnut tree in the midel of sd rood and from thense to a walnut tree markt in the Line betwen sd Jewell and Samuell Newell and from thens straight to a white oak tree markt in Samuell Newells Land on the side of the hill and from thense runing near east on the Line betwen Samuell Newell and Jonathan Newell one rod on Samuel Newell and one rod on Jonathan Newell to a heap of stons and from sd Line near south-east to a white oak tree in Jonathan Newells Land and from thense to a white oak tree markt and from thens straight to a white oak tree markt and from thense sraight throu Samuel Newells pastuer and mooing Land to his brook in his Lane near his house and throu his Lane to the end of it and from thense a long by sd Newells Land and by William Carters south Line in the Indians Land to a popel stump with a heap of stons about it and from thense to a straight to a pith pine tree which is the northwest corner of the four acers that was given to the Town and all the sd markes are on the northerly side of sd rood and the whole of sd rood is to be two rods wide the old highway fomorly Layed out by the Select men in the year 1734 wheare it is Recorded from Joseph Jewells seners Land to his north east corner and from thence baring east and benoth accros Benjamin Newell and Jonathan Newells Land pritey straight to the northwest corner of Samuell Newells Hundred acer Lot is void and of none efect by Reason of alltering of it from the above sd Jewells north Line for the more convenence of sd rood

Worcester ss

To the Constables Thomas Newell and Thomas Cheney of the Town of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting for as much as sundrey Parsons being freeholders and other inhabetence of the sd Town of Dudley qualesified by Law to vote in Town affaires have Latly as well at divers times here-tofore made application to us the select men of sd Town that a Town meeting might be called to Reconsider those Divers votes formaly Pased Relating to the Granting of places or spaces in the Publick meeting hous erected for the worship of god in sd Town desined for the placing or building Pews or at the charge of the Grantees and it being alledged or suggested that sd votes ware not Regularly mad and pased and that the rule which ought to have Governed that affaier ware not attended or Regarded and for as much as the Grantees have not as yet Expended aney Cost or Charge in Erecting or building aney of sd Pews or the plases or the spaces asigned for them to be built as aforesaid to the intent thearefore that justice and Right therein may now be don and the peace of the Town be presarved and promoted these are to direct and Require you seasonably to notefic all the Freeholders and other inhabetence of sd Town of Dudley qualesified as aforesaid in each of your wards to assembl and meet at our meeting hous on tusday the fiftenth day of April at teen of the clock in the fore noon then and there in a publick and Laful Town meeting to take the Premeses into there searas wise and just considration that if thay shall see cause and good Reason thay may then and there Reconsider those former votes and com into aney other or further methods ways or means for the just due peasebel disposition Granting or deterring the said places or spaces as to them shall seme most just meet and convenient Heareof fail not and make due Return of these warrents with your doings theareon to us the subscribers at the time and place within mentioned as you will answer your default at the penealtey of



a warrent for a
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the Law in that case dated at Dudley aforesaid the thirtey
first day of march annodom 1740

John Lillie	} Select men
Richard Kidder	
Clement Corbin	
menasseh Horsmore	
Benjamin Newell	

by virtue of these warents we have warned the several inhabetence of the Town of Dudley in each of our wards to meet at the time and place within mentioned

Thomas Newell Thomas Cheney Constabels

Town meeting at a meeting of the Inhabetence of the town of Dudley Regularly asembled at our meeting hous in sd Town on tusday y^e 15th day of April 1740

1 voted and chose Capt Edmunds modrater for sd meeting

2 voted and Reconsidered all those former votes Relating to the Granting of plases for the building of pews in our meeting house and to com into the method in disposing of them as folowes

1 voted that those meen that have payed most to the charges in Town ever sence that we ware incorprated into a Town with one head to an estate

2 to have a regard to thos men that ware the first setlers in Town

3 that those that have an estate of freehold in Town shall have the pews

3 voted to have five men to be a Cometec to search the Lists and to see who the pews do belong to

4 voted deacon Conant and Esq Vinton and John Lillie and Benjamin Newell and Menasseh Horsmore be the Comittec to see who is to have the Pews and to mak return to the Town

Worcester ss to Thomas Cheney and to Thomas Newell ^{a warnt for a} Constabels for sd ^{Town meeting}
of Dudley in the Countey of Worcester Greeting these are in his
majesties name to Require you forthwith to warn the free-
holders and other Inhabetence of sd Town in each of your
wards that have an estate so that thay are qualesied according
to Law to meet at the meeting house of sd Dudley on thursday
the twenty second day of may instant at one of the clock
afternoon to make choyes of a man qualesied according to Law
to sare and Represent the said Town in a grate and General
Cort or assembly appointed to be holden and Convened and
kept for his majesties sarvics at the Cort hous in Boston upon
wensday the twenty eight day of may and to act upon the
following artecls if thay see cause



1 to chuse a select man in the room of mr Hosmore Late
Removed out of Town

2 to see if the Town will continue mir Hosmore a Commite
man Conserning the pews or to Chuse another in his room
and make due Return of these warents with your dooings
theire on to us the subscribers at the time and plase above sd
as you will answer your default at the paine and penealtery of
the Law in that case mad and provided given under our
hands and seal at Dudley above sd this nintenth day of may
anno Dom 1740

Clement Corbin } Select men
Richard Kidder } for sd
Benjamin Newell } Dudley

by vertue of these warrents we have warned the severall
inhabetence of the Town of Dudley in each of our wards to
meet at the time and plase above sd

Thomas Cheney Thomas Newell Constabels

at a meeting of the inhabetence of the Town of Dudley ^{Town meeting}

Regularly assembled at our meeting hous in sd Town on thursday the twenty second day of may 1740

- 1 voted and chose Esq^r Vinton moderater for sd meeting
- 2 voted and chose Esq^r Vinton select man in the room of mr Hosmore Lat removed out of Town
- 3 voted to Continue m^r Hosmore a Comitte man Concerning the pews

a warent for a
Town meeting



Worcester ss to Thomas Cheney and Thomas Newell of the Town of Dudley in the Countey of Worcester Constabels of sd Town Greeting: these are in his majesties name to will and Require you forthwith to warn all the freholders and other inhabetence Qualefied according to Law to vote in Town meetings in each of your wards to meet at our meeting hous in sd Town on monday the 29th day of September instant at nine of the clock in the morning then and their to act on the folling artkels if thay see cause

- 1 to see whether the Town will add aney thing more to the Revd mr Hows Sallerey
- 2 to see what method thay will com into to provide him his fire wood
- 3 to see whether the Town will do aney thing to provide schooling for their children and if thay do then to grant money to be raised to defrey the cha^rges thearof
- 4 for all the inhabetence to bring in an invoice of their Ratebel Estates to the select men on sd day in order for making of the Cuntrey Tax
- 5 to see whether the Town will accept of the Commites Report Relating to the pues and if thay do then to vote them to those pearsons to hom thay do belong and allso to set a time for biulding of them and make due Return of these warents with your doings thearon to us at the time and place above mentioned as you will answer your default at the pains and penalty of the Law in that case mad and provided at

Dudley the 22 day of September Ad ome mi 1740 by order
of the select men

John Lillie Town Clerk

by vertue of these warents we have warned the several in-
habetence of the Town of dudley in each of our wards to meet
at the time and place within mentioned

Thomas Newell and Thomas Cheney Constabels

at a meeting of the inhabetence of the Town of dudley
Regularly assembeled at our meeting hous in sd Town on
monday the 29th day of September 1740

the Town
meeting

- 1 Voted and chose Esq^r Vinton modrater for sd meeting
- 2 voted to give to the Rd mr Howe forty pounds in money
this present year in considration of his building
- 3 Voted forty cord of fire wood to the Re^d mr Howe this
present year cut and carted to his door fit for his fire
- 4 Voted that the fire wood for m^r How should be set at 12
shillings acord and to be Raised upon the inhabetence by a
Rate
- 5 Voted to raise 30 pounds of money to defrey the charges
of schooling the Town to be devided into three parts and each
part to draw their proportion of the money and to Lay it out
in schooling of their children
- 6 Voted Joshua Healy for the senter of the Town and
Benjamin Putney for the east end and Benjamin Newell for
the west end of the Town to be a Commitey to devide the
Town into three parts as thay shall subscribe and each part is
to pay whear thay subscribe
- 7 Voted to accept of the Commites Report Relating to the
Pues
- 1 Voted to Dacon Joseph Edmunds that Pue in the north-
west corner of the meeting house joyning to mr Howes
- 2 Voted to Willam Carter that pue on east sid of the
front doors

3 Voted to Joshua Healy that Pewe on the west sid of the front doors

4 Voted to Samuel Newell that midel pue on the east side of the pulpit

5 Voted to Ebenezer Edmunds that pue on the east side of the pulpit

6 Voted to John Vinton Esq^r that pue on the Right hand of the east doors

7 Voted to George Robenson that pue on the south side of the east doors

8 Voted to Clement Corbin that pue joyning Joshua Healeys on the west side of the front doors

9 Voted to Dacon Benjamin Conant that peue on the north-east corner of the meeting house

10 Voted to Thomas Cheney thet midel pue on the east side of the front doors joyning to mr Carters

11 Voted to James Corbin that pue on the south side of the west doors

12 Voted to Jonathan Newell that pue on the north side of the west doors

13 Voted to Benjamin Newell the midel pue on the north side of the east doors betwen Esq Vintons ad Dacon Conants

14 Voted to Ebenezer Bacon the midel pue on the north side of the west doors

15 Voted to Samuel Corbin that pue on the south side of the east doors joyning to the womens stairs

16 Voted to Joseph Putney that pue on the south side of the west doors betwen James Corbins and the stairs

17 Voted that those pearsons that have the pues shall build them in the spase of one year from this time or els thay shall Return to the Town again

18 voted and chose Esqr Vinton to go down to adrees Great and General Court to see whether their Honours will abate som thing of our provinc Tax and fine

Daniel Coburn sener did hear at this present meeting enter

his desent against that vote of the Towns accepting of the
Commities Report Relating to the Pues

The sum total of the ministers Rates for the west end:
73-12-11

The sum total of the provence Tax for the west end
35-19-4

The sum total of the school Rates for the west end
15-16-3

The sum total of the minicsters Rates for the east end
72-15-0

The sum total of the provnce Tax for the east end
35-18-6

The sum total of the school Rats for the east end
14-11-10

these above sd Rates ware mad and Delivered into the
Constabels hands with a warent to each for colecting of the
same namly to Constabel Thomas Cheney for the west end
and Constabel Thomas Newell for the east end of the Town
Dudley October ye 13th 1740

Worsester ss to Thomas Cheney and Thomas Newell of
the Town of Dudley in the Countey of Worcester Constabels
for the said Town of Dudley and to each of them Greeting
Wheras our Revd Pastor hath again been Left to fall into the
sin of intemperance to our Great Greife and sorow and under
a humbel sence theirof earnestly desirs an oppertunity to
convears with the Church and Congregation of his Charge in a
publick manner in order to act the part of a Christain towards
them and see what methods to come in to for the healing of
the breach his sin hath mad between him and his pepole so
that Gods name and the Religion of Christ may not sufer and



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the peace and tranquility of this Town may yet be continued therefore

These are in his majesties name to will and Require you and each of you forthwith to warn all the freeholders and other inhabetence of sd Town of Dudley in each of your wards to meet at our meeting house in sd Town on fryday the 7th of November at one of the clock after noon then and there to act on the following artcils if they see cause

1 To see if the Town will accept of the satesfaction which the Revd Mr Howe shall then offer unto them and Restore him to their Love and chearety both as a christain and as thayer minister and if not then

2 To consider what steps the Town shall take in order to Redress the above sd Greviances and mak due Return of these warrents with your doing thereon to us the select men at the Time and place above sd hearof fail not as you will answer your default at the pains and penealty of the Law in that case mad and provided at Dudley the 31 day of October A D 1740 by order of the select men

John Lillie Town Clerk

by vertue of these warrents we have warned all the freeholders and other inhabetence in the Town of Dudley in each of our wards to meet at the time and place within mentioned:

Thomas Cheney Thomas Newell Constabels

Town meeting at a meeting of the inhabetence of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting hous in sd Town on fryday the 7 of November 1740

1 voted and chose Esqr Vinton modrater for sd meeting

2 voted to forgive the Revd Mr Howe and to Restore him again to our Love and Charety both as a Christan and as our pastor and teacher

Bretheren & frinds

In as much as I have been Left again to fall into the Heinas sin of intemprence & have been sundrey times too much unguarded & have too much indulged my self in the free use of spiritous Lyquors to the Dishonour of God Discredit of Religion to the wounding of my one soul & the Great Greife & sorow of you & all the pepole of God who are apprized thearof I hope God hath been pleased Graciasly to open my eyes to see my sine in its true colurs I have Reason to hope that he hath touched my hart with true Remors & Godley sorow for my sine and as I have in a humbel sence of my Guilt earnestly sought unto him for his pardaing mercy and sence of his Love & favour so to the Glory of the Riches of his Grace I must acknowledge that by the sweet whispers of his spirit he hath caused the bons which he hath broken to Rejoyce and as I now ask forgiveness of all Gods peapol in Genearal so in as much as my sin & fall very peculiarly & awfully affects you in pearticular so I humbly ask of you all your forgiveness of these my trespasses against you intreating you to Restore me to your love & charety asuring you I have an uter abhorrence of those things I have practiced and humbly Relying upon the allsufficient Grace of God I promise to Lead a new & Regular Life determing not only to abstain from the abuse but even from the use of all inebriateing & spiritous Lyquors unles in a time when sixness or my circumstances may evedently call for it Endeavoring to sett before others an Exampele of sobriety & temprance in all things to adorn the Doctrin of God my savour by a holy & blamelesse Conversation Laboring so to behave my selfe for the futere as that the joy & satisfaction you may have in mee may infinitely exced the Greife & sorow of hart I have brought upon you striveing to approve my selfe faithfull unto Jesus Christ & faithfull unto all your souls & to walk before God & before you to all well pleasing thus earnestly intreating you to strive together with me in your prayers to the God of all Grace that I may have Grace to perform these my Resolutions & to walk worthy of that high & holy vocation wherewith I am called & asuring you that as I have allwayes

don sence the Day that I came among you so I shall continue to bare you upon my hart before God Continually and be Ready to sarve the intrest of your souls & bodeyes both by Day & night according to the best of my ability so Long as God shall continue me amongst you thes things I offer to your Christain Consideration hoping you will not forget the direction of the holy apostil in 6 Glat begin Bretheren if any man be overtaken in a fault ye which are spiritual restore such an one in the spirit of meekness considring thy self Least thou allso be tempted

Dudley March y^e 2^d 1740-41

Then Received of the Town of Dudley in Bills of Credit the whole of the Salary Granted me by s^d town from the Day of My ordination to the tenth Day of March Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred & thirty nine, forty, I Say Received
Per Me Perley Howe

Worchestor ss A notification for our annuall meeteing this is to notify all the free holders and other inhabitance of the town of Dudley that are quallified according to law to Vote at in town meeteings to meete and assemble them selves to gather at our meeteing hous on monday the second Day of march to act on the fowlling Artikls if thay see cause

- 1 to chuse town offesers as the law Directs
- 2 to see wheather the town will Provoid a stock of amunition
- 3 to see wheather the Town will give mr Vinton liberty to build a teen foot hous on the fore acors belonging to the town Dudley Febuary y^e 23 1741 by order of the select men

John Lilly Town Clark



At a meeteing of the inhabetents of the town of Dudley ^{annual}town meeteing
Regularly assembled at our meeteing hous in sd Town on
monday ye 2 day of march 1741

- 1 Voted and chose Esq^r vinton modiator for sd meeteing
- 2 Voted to have five select men for the year insueing
- 3 voted Capt Ebenezer Edmunds the first select man
- 4 voted Clement Corbin the second select man
- 5 voted mr John Vinton third select man
- 6 voted Jonathan Newell the forth select man
- 7 voted Benjamin Newell the fift select man
- 8 voted the select men to be assessors for the year ensueing
- 9 voted Jonathan Newell Newell town Clerk
- 10 voted Clement Corbin town treasurer
- 11 voted Jonathan Hobbs Cunstable for the west end of the town
- 12 voted Gorge Robison Constable for the east end of the town
- 13 voted Joshua healy and Joseph Vinton survaors for the west end of the town
- 14 voted Ebenezer Davison and John Bracket survaors for the east end of the town
- 15 voted Benjamin Davis and Daniel Coburn Tything men
- 16 voted Philip Corbin and Jacob Chamberlin fence Vewers
- 17 voted for hogs to go at large
- 18 voted nethaniel jewell and Samuel Child hog Reavs
- 19 voted Ebenezor Bacon and John Bracket informers of those who violate the law in Killing Deear
- 20 Voted to mr John Vinton to have teen foote of ground upon the north line of the four acors belonging to the town to seet a small hous upon

All these Above mentioned offecers have Taken there oths as the law Directs exsept Daniel Coburn jnr

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Worsester ss To Constable Jonathan Hobbs and Constable George Robison of Dudley greeteing these are to will and Require you forthwith to warn all the freeholders and other inhabitants that are qualifed acording to Law to vote in town meeteings in Dudley to meete at our meeteing hous on munday ye twenty third day of November instant at one of the clock after noon to act on the following articles if they see cause

1 To see what the town will add to the Reverend mr Hows sallary for this preasent year

2 to see what meathod the Town will take in procureing mr hows fierwood this year also and make Return of these warrants with you doings thare on to us the subscribers at time and place above mentioned as you will answer your defaults at the pains and penalty of the law in that caus made and provided Dated att Dudley y^e sixteenth day of November 1741 by order of the select men

Jonathan Newell Town Clark

by vartue of these warrants we have warned the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley in each of our wards to meete att the time and place within mentioned

Jonathan hobbs and George Robison Constables

the
town meeting

Att a meeteing of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeteing hous in sd town on the twenty third day of November 1741

1 Voted and chose Deacon Joseph Edmunds modiator for said meeting

2 Voted to add fifty pounds to the Reverend mr Hows sallary for this present year

3 Voted to cut and cart forty cord of Fier wood to the Reverend mr hows for this present year

4 Voted that the town shall cut and cart mr hows forty cord of fier wood for this present year to his dwelling hous by the first day of March next ensueing or each man then that is delinquant in cuting and carting his part of said fier wood to

his mr hows dwelling hous by the time a fore said propotioned
by the assessors shall pay to mr how at the Rate of fifteen
shillings a cord in monny by the said first day of march nex
ensueing

The sume total of the town Rate for the west end 84-6-4 Record
Rats

The sum Total of the provoince Rate for the west end
14-4-0

The sum total of the town Rate for the east end was 75-18-0

The sum total for the Province Rate for the east end was
12-16-2

which said Rats ware made and delivered into the constables
hands with a warrant to each for collecting the same namely
to Constable Jonathan Hobbs for the west end and to Constable
George Robison for the east end of the town

Dudley Desember the 31 1741

Dudley February y^e 22^d, A. D. 1741-2

Then Received of the Town of Dudley in Bills of Credit
the sum of one Hundred & forty pounds being in full for My
salary in the year of our Lord one thousand seven Hundred &
forty; I: E: to the tenth Day of March A: D: 1740-41 I
say Received by Me

Perley Howe

Worchester ss

A notification for our anuell meeteing in the year 1742

This is to Notify all the freeholders and other Inhabitants of A Notification
the town of Dudley that are quallified acording to law to vote
in town meeteings to meete and assemble them selves to gather
at our meeteing hous on munday the first day of march in the

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year 1742 at nine of the clock in the morning to act on the following articels if they see cause

1 to chuse town officers for the year insueing as the law directs

2 for the town to Receive the Committes acount conserning our meeteing hous and also to chuse a man or tow to add to deacon Conant to fill up the vacuncy of that Committee

3 for the town to provoid a standdard of waits and measurs as the law directs

4 to see what the town will do conserning bulding a scool hous or houses and seetting up a scool in the town to prevent the charg of being find for want there of as well as for want of a standdard of waits and measurs for the grand jury man of woodstock is ordered by the inferiour Court of this county to make inquiry into the scureomstances of towns that have no grand jury man and of this town in particuler and for want there of to present the same

Dated at Dudley y^e 20
day of Febuary in the year 1741-2 By order of the select men

Jonathan Newell Town Clark

town meeteing att a meeteing of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley Regularly assembled att our meeting hous on munday y^e 1 day of march ann Domini 1741-2

1 voted and chose Capt Vinton modiator for said meeteing

2 voted to have five select men for the year ensueing

3 voted and chose Capt vinton the first select man

4 voted and chose Capt Edmunds the second select man

5 voted and chose Clement Corbin the third select man

6 voted and chose Benjamin Newell the forth select man

7 voted and chose Jonathan Newell the fifth select man

8 voted that the select men should be assessors for the year ensuing

9 voted and chose Jonathan Newell Town Clark

10 Voted and chose Clement Corbin Town treasurer

11 voted and chose Joseph Sabin Cunstable for the west end of the Town

12 voted and chose Jacob Bradbury Cunstable for the east end of the town

13 voted and chose John Burnal and Jacob Chamberlin Survayors of high ways for the west end of the town

14 voted and chose Jearns Corbin and Samuel child Survayors of high ways for the east end of the town

15 voted and chose Ebenezer Bacon Tything man for the west end of the town

16 voted and chose Daniel Doddg Tything man for the east end of the town

17 voted and chose Joseph Jewell junr fence vewer for the west end of the town

18 voted and chose Ellick Nicols fence vewer for the east end of the town

19 voted and chose thomas hutchens junr hog Reaf for the west end of the town

20 voted and chose Benjamin Dike hog Reaf for the east end of the town

21 voted for hogs to go at large for the year ensueing

22 voted that Elisah Sabin and Samuel Corbin should be the informers of those that violate the law of those that kill Dear conterary to the act

23 voted that the select men provoid a standdard of waits and measurs on the towns charge Namely a half Bushel a peck and half peck a pair of skails a pound wait a half pound and a quarter of a pound

24 voted and chose Jonathan Newell scailer of waits and measurs

25 voted and chose Joshua healy and Clement Corbin to add to Deacon Conant to fill up the vacuncy there was in that committe concernig finnishing the Body of our meeteing hous

26 voted that the town should buld a scool hous upon the towns four acors of land near our meeteing hous of twenty feete long and fiveteen feete wide

27 voted that Capt vinton and Clement Corbin should be a

committe to see the scool hous ERected and Enclod as soon as may be

The above mentioned officers have been sworn to their Respective Dutiyes in their offices as the law directs

A warrant for a
Town meeting

Worcester ss To the constables Joseph Sabin and Jacob Bradbubary of Dudley Greeting these are to will and Requier you forthwith to warn all the freeholders and other inhabitants in said town in either of your wards that are qualified as the law directs to vote in town meeeting to meete at our meeeting hous in sd town on fryday the fifteenth day of October instant at teen of the clock in the forenoon to act on the following articals

town meeeting

(1) To see whether the town will give mr how any more salary for the preasent year then what we agreed with him for when he first settled amongst us

(2) to Raise mony to pay mr Baulding for his work in our meeeting hous

(3) To Raise mony to pay the Committee for bulding the scool hous

(4) For those parsons that are indetted to the town to bring ther money in and to make up with the town Treasurer to prevent further trobule

(5) and also for those parsons that have any demands upon the town to bring in their acounts that they may be adjusted

(6) for the town to Raise money to pay other Nessesary charges that have arisen with in the same :

and make Return of your warrant with your doings theiron to us the subscribers at the time and place above sd as you will answer your defaults at the pains and Pannilty of the Law in that case made and provided Dated att Dudley the sixth day of october anno Domini 1742

By order of the select men

Jonathan Newell Town Clark

By order of these warrants we have warned the several in-

habitants of the town of Dudley in each of our wards to meete
att the time and place within mentioned :

Joseph Sabin Jacob Bradbury Constables

att a meeteing of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley
Regularly assembled at our meeteing hous in said town on
frydy the fifteenth day of october Anno Dommeni 1742

(1) voted and chose Capt Ebenezer Edmunds modiator for
sd meeteing

(2) voted that the town dont see cause to give mr howe
any more sallary for the preasant year then we covenanted
with him for when he first setteled amongst us

(3) voted and granted thirteen pounds tow shillings and
fore pence to pay mr Baulding his due with what is due to the
town in Nots in the Treasurers hands

(4) Voted and granted forty six pounds money to pay the
scool hous Committe for Bulding the same :

(5) voted and granted twenty tow pounds Eleven shillings
and nine pence mony to fray the other Nessesary charges that
has a risen within the town

Worcester ss To Constable Jacob Bradbury of Dudley ^{warrant for a}
greeting these are to will and Requier you forthwith to ^{Town meeting}
warn all the frecholders and other inhabitants in the town of
Dudley that are quallified as the Law directs to vote in town
meeeting to meete at our meeteing hous in sd town on Thirds-
day: the twenty eight day of october instant att teen of the
clock in the morning then and their for the town to concur
with the vots of the church if they see cause: in the advice of
the Reverend mr Cambill of oxford the Reverend mr Rice of
Sturbridge the Reverend mr Stiles of Woodstock which which
the church here have sent to for advice and judgment under

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our difficult surcomstances Relateing to our Reverend pastor
mr perly how and the church and town hear

and make Return of this warrant with your doings their on
to us the subscribers at the time and place above mentioned
here of fail not as you will auswer your defaults at the pains
and penalty of the law in that case made and provided

Dated att Dudley the twentyth day of october Anno Domni
1742 By order of the select men

Jonathan Newell Town Clark

Worcester ss october y^e 28 1742 By vartue of this
warrant I have warned several of the inhabitants of this town
Jacob Bradbury Constble

town meeting

att a meeteing of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley
Regularly assembled att our meeteing hous in sd town on
thirdsday the twenty eight day of october Anno Domnini 1742

(1) voted and chose Deacon Joseph Edmunds modiator
for sd meeteing

(2) the town voted and concord with the vots of the church
Relateing to the difficult surcomstances Relateing to our Rev-
erend pastor mr pearly howe and the church and town hear

The sum total of the town Rate for the west end of the
town is 114-16-8

The sum total of the town Rate for the east end of the
town is 118-15-1

which Rats ware made and Deliverd to the Constables with
a warrant to each to collect the same Namely to Constable
Joseph Sabin for the west end of the town and to Jacob
Bradbury Consta of the east end of the town November ye
24 1742

Worcester ss to the Constables Joseph Sabins and Jacob
Bradbery greeting these are to will and require each of
you forthwith to warn all the freeholders and other inhabtance
in sd town in each of your wards that are qualifd as the law
directs for voting in town affairs to meet at our meeting house
in sd town on monday ye twenty eightth day of march instant
at nine a clock in the morning then and there to act upon the
following articles

warrant

1) to chuse town officers for y^e year insuing as the law
directs

2) for the town to exsept of a roode laid out by the select
men four rods wide begining at or near the pattin or collony
line to our meeting house

3) for the town to chuse a person or persons to send the
next may sessions to se if ye rood that is laid out through our
town by the meeting house to oxford line may serve for the
count rood through sd town

4) for the town to come into some method to pay the
school master for his labour in scooling our children the winter
past either by raising money for the same or to convert the 30
pounds raisd some time past for scooling our children to
answer now as fare as it will go and make return of your
warrant with your doing theron to us the subscribers at the
time and place above mentioned as you will answer your
default at the pains and penelty of y^e law in that case maid and
provided Dated at Dudley the eighteenth day of march and
in the sixteenth year of his majestis reigen ano dom 1743

By order of y^e select men

Jonathan newel town clerk

march y^e 28 1743 pursuant to this warrant we have warnd
the several inhabtance in each of our wards

Joseph Sabin and Jacob Bradbery Constables

at a meeting of the inhabtance of ye town of Dudley regu- town meeting

lerly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on munday the 28th day of march 1743

1) voted that all the freeholder of sd town should be voters by a graet majorytie and all agreed to it & voted to have five select men this year

2) voted and chose Clement Corbin moderator for sd meeting

3) voted Benjaⁿ Conant y^e first select man

4) voted Clement Corbin the second select man

5) voted Richard Kidder the third select man

6) voted Joshua healy the fourth select man

7) voted Benjaⁿ newell the fifth select man

8) voted Benjaⁿ Conant town clerk

9) voted Clement Corbin town treasurer

10) voted Jonathan hibberd constable for ye east end of the town

11) voted Ebenezer Coburn constable for ye west end of the town

12) voted John brackit tything man for ye east end of the town

13) voted John Curtis tything man for the west end of the town

14) voted Jonathan newell sealer of waits and measuers

15) voted nathan ramsdil and Benjaⁿ Davis survayers of high ways for the east end of the town

16) voted Joseph Sabin and Joseph jewell survayers of high ways for the west end of the town

17) voted John Davison and Benjaⁿ Denis fence vewers

18) voted philip corbin and paul rich complainers of those that violate the law in killing Dear

19) voted that swine shall go at large y^e year insuing

20) voted Elishua Sabin and Elisha Corbin hoge reaves

21) voted and exepcted by the town the highway laid out by the select men and brought to this meeting

22) voted and chose Samⁿ newell to go to Worcester at may court to se if y^e highway laid out through our town by the meeting house maye by excepted for the county roode

23) voted that the money that wase granted some time past for scooling our children shall be colected and paid into the town treasurer to pay m^r may for his service in scooling our children the winter past

24) voted the select men to be assesers
memorandum that the several offisers above mentioned have taken there oaths as the law directs

Dudley march y^e 17th 1743

A highway laid out by the select men of sd town begining at or near the colony line a white oke tree markt on the south-east side of sd roade on the tope of a little hill on the north sid of whate is m^r morriss little bridg on his roade to our meeting house from thence to a gray oke tree from thence to a white oke tree near Ebenezer Bacons south line of his land and so a crosse the south east corner of sd Bacons land from thence along up on the south east side of the Indian hille leiving the crown or height of the hille on the west sid of sd roade as the land will best allowe and so to a white oke tree from thence to another white oke tree from thence to a white oke tree from thence to a black oke tree from thence to a pitch pine tree from thence to a heap of stons four rods east from the south east corner of the towns four acres our meeting house stands on and meets with the road formerly laid out by y^e select men of sd town from oxford line to our meeting house this roade being a prity straight course from the first mentioned tree till it meets with the other part of the road being laid out before to our meeting house sd road is four rod wide and the marks being all on the south east side of sd roade this road was brought to our aneuel meeteing in march 1743 and accepted by the town

Dudley may y^e 9th 1743

Worcester ss to the Constables jonathan hebberd and

warnt

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Ebenezer Coburn greeting these are to will and require each of you forthwith to warn the freeholders and other inhabitation of sd town qualifid to vote in town affairs in each of your wards to meet at our meeting house in sd town on monday ye 16th day of may instant at two a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

1) to chuse a Deputy to represent the town at the great and general Court to be held in Boston for ye year insuing to begin the 25 day of may instant

2) to come into some method for schooling our children y^e year insuing

3) to grant mony to Defray the charge of the same

4) to grant mony to pay the charge of our first council and make return of your doings hearon to us the subscribers at the time and place above mentioned as you will answer the same at y^e penealty of y^e law in that case made and provided

By order of y^e select men

Benjaⁿ Conant town clerk

By vartue of this warnt we have warnd the several inhabitation of y^e town of Dudley in each of our wards as the lawe directs

jonathan Heberd and Ebenezer Coburn Constables

town meeting at a meeting of the inhabitation of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e 16th day of may 1743

a vote being requird weather they would send a representative or not the vote past in the negitive

1) voted and chose John Lilly moderater for sd meeting

2) voted to have a school 9 months 3 months in the senter of the town and 3 months at each end of the town

3) voted to have a school daime 3 months at each end of ye town and 3 months by a school master in the senter of the town

4) voted 40 pounds of money old tener to be raised upon

the inhabitation of this town to defray the charge of schooling for the nine months

5) vote Joseph putney Benjaⁿ putney se^{nr} and Sam^{ll} Corbin to be a committee to provide schooling according to y^e above mentioned votes

6) voted 51 pounds 12 shilling and 10 pence old tennor to be raised upon the inhabitation of this town to defray the charge of our first council

Jams Corbin and Joseph Sabin do now enter their dissent against y^e proceedings of the present meeting

Dudley June y^e 13th 1743 Worcester ss

to the Constables Jonathan hebberd and Ebenezer Coburn
greeting these are to will and require each of you forth-
with to warn the freeholders and other inhabitation of the
town of Dudley in each of your wards qualified to vote in town
affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on Monday the
20th day of June instant at one a clock after noone then and
their to act upon the following articles

warrant

1) to agree upon a day of fasting and prayer to God under
our difficult circumstances and to make choice of some minis-
ters to carry on the work of sd day

2) to chuse a committee to supply our pulpit with a good
learned and orthodox minister for some time

3) to grant money to defray the charge of our pulpits being
supplied and also to pay the committee that was last upon the
county road and make your return to the select men with
your doing thereon as you will answer the same at the penalty
of the law in that case made and provided

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant town clerk

By virtue of this warrant we have warnd the inhabitation of
the town of Dudley in each of our wards to meet at time and
place within mentioned

Jonathan hebberd and Ebenezer Coburn Constables

town meeting at a meeting of the inhabitation of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e 20th day of june 1743

1) voted and chose m^r nathaniel Dick moderater for sd meeting

2) voted that wedensday the 29th day of june 1743 be a day of fasting and prayer to God for council and direction under our dificult surcomstances

3) voted that the reverend m^r Cabbit of thomsen and the reverend m^r wymon of the union be the gentlemen to carry on the work of sd day of fasting and prayer for us

4) voted Deceon Edmunds insign Corbin and m^r Benjaⁿ newell to be a commitee to supply our pulpit with a good learned and orthodox minister from this time to the last of october next insuing

5) voted 80 pounds old tener Bills to defray the charge of preaching till the last of october next and if that is not suficent that the town will grant more

6) voted a sufficiency of money to pay the commitee that last vewd the county road through our town which was some time last fall

Dudley September y^e 21^t 1743

warnit

Worcester ss to the constables Jonathan Heberd and Ebenezer Coburn greeting these are to will and require each of you forthwith to warn the several inhabitation of the town of Dudley in each of your wards qualifd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on thirsday y^e 29th of September in at two a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

1) to raise money to pay the reverend m^r howe what is behind of his salery according to our first covnant with him

2) to raise money to pay the cost of that committee that last vewd the roads through our town for the county and make due return of your doings hearon to the select man as

you will answer the same at the penalty of the law in that case made and provided

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant town clerk

By vertue of this warrent we have warnd the inhabitanse of the town of Dudley in each of our wards to meet at time and place within mentioned

Jonathan Hebbard and Ebenezer Coburn Constables

at a meeting of the inhabitanse of the town of Dudley regu- town meeting
lerly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on thirsday
the 29th of September 1743

1) voted and chose John Lillie moderater for sd meeting

2) voted the present select men of the town of Dudley to be a committee to treat with the rev^d m^r perly howe of sd town concerning what is behind of his salerry and to make report to the town of there agreement with him upon thirsday y^e 6th day of october next and then the moderater adjourned this meeting to thirsday the sixth day of october next at nine a clock in the morning

Dudley october y^e 3d 1743 to the inhabitanse of Dudley in pursuance of the vote pased at a meeting of the inhabitanse of Dudley on y^e 29th day of. Sep^t last appointing us the subscribers a committee to treat with y^e revd m^r perly howe upon is due from sd town to him for salery according to there covnant with him we have been with sd m^r howe upon sd affair and upon our treaty with him we are of opinion that the town ought to grant him forty pounds more in Bills of credit of the old tener in the whole than hath been already granted him and the sd m^r howe declared that upon the re-

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ceiving the sd sume with what was before granted him he would give the town a full and final discharge

Benjaⁿ Conant Clement Corbin

Joshua healy Richard Kidder

meeting

at a meeting of y^e inhabtance of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on thirsday y^e 6th day of october 1743 upon adjournment from y^e 29th day of September last and then voted to the rev^d m^r howe of sd town 40 pounds in Bills of credit of the old tener for what is behind of his salery for the quarter of a year still behind and the defishence of the money upon y^e sd m^r hows givinge the town a full and finnel discharge relating to his salerry

warrant

Dudley october ye 19th 1743

Worcester ss to the constables Jonathan Heberd and Ebenezer Coburn greeting this is to will and require each of you forthwith to warn the several inhabitants of ye town of Dudley in your wards qualifide to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on thirsday the 27th day of october instent at two a clock afternoone then and there to act upon the following articles

1) to chuse a committee to supply our pulpit with a good learned and orthodox minister so long as the town thinks proper and that they be upon probation

2) to raise money to defray the charg therof and make due return of your doings hearon to the select men as you will answer the same at the penelty of the law in that case made and provided

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant town clerk

By vartue of this warrant we have warnd the several inhabi-

tants in each of our wards to meet at time and place within mentioned

Jonathan Hebbberd and Ebenezer Coburn Constables

at a meeting of the inhabitant of the town of Dudley regu- town meeting
lerly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on thirsday
the 27th day of october 1743

1) voted and chose Decean Edmunds moderater for sd
meeting

2) voted and chose Joshua healy Sam^l Newell and Benjaⁿ
Conant to be a committee to suply our pulpit with a good
learned and orthodox minister from the last of october 1743 to
the bēgining of march next insuing

3) voted 80 pounds in Bills of credit of ye old tener to de-
fray the charg of preaching from the first of november 1743 to
the beginning of march next insuing

The sume total of the list for the east end of the town in the
great rate in the year 1743 is 119-5-3 old tener

The sume total of the list for the west end of the town of
Dudley in the great rat in ye year 1743 is 117-5-4 old tener

These lists made in october 1743 and deliverd in to the
constables hands with a warnt to each of the constables for
colecting the same

Constble Jonathan Hebbberds list 119-5-3 old tener

Constable Ebenezer Coburns list 117-3-4 old tener

The province rate for the east end of ye town 70-8-11 old
tener

The province rate for the west end of ye town 66-18-2 old
tener

The 80 pound rate for ye east end of ye town 41-15-8 old
tener

The 80 pound rate for ye west end of ye town 42-14-5 old tener

The county rate for the east end of ye town 3-16-2 old tener

The county rate for the west end of ye town 3-12-6 old tener

These several lists were delivered into the above named Constables hands in january 1743^d

Dudley February y^e 20th 1743^d

notification for
our aneual
meeting

Worcester ss these are to notify several inhabitance of the town of Dudley qualified to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on monday the fifth day of March next at nine a clock in the morning Then and there to act upon the following articels

1) to chuse town officers for the year insuing as the law directs

2) To see if the town will except of a highway laid out by the select men of sd town from the east end of Joshua healys farm to our meeting house

3) to see if the town will grant money to defray the charge of the county Road throw our town last fall

4) to se if the town will vote that a notyfication set up at our meeting house a sutable time shall be sufficant warning for our town meetings for time to come

5) to se if the town will come into some agreeable method concerning our shooll house

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerk

our aneual
meeting

At a meeting of the inhabitance of the town of Dudley Reg-

ulery assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday
y^e 5th day of March 1744

- 1) voted John vintin moderater for sd meeting
- 2) voted to have five select men
- 3) voted Benjaⁿ Conant the first select man
- 4) voted Joseph Edmunds the second select man
- 5) voted John vintin the third select man
- 6) voted Ebenezer Edmunds the forth select man
- 7) voted Benjaⁿ Newell the fifth select man
- 8) voted the select men assessers
- 9) voted Benjaⁿ Conant town clerk
- 10) voted Clement Corbine town treasurer
- 11) voted Jacob Chamberlen Constable for the west end of
the town
- 12) voted Joseph ayrs Constable for the east end of the town
- 13) voted nathan Ramsdil and John Burnel Surveyers of
high ways for the est end of the town
- 14) voted Jonathan newell and Joseph Sabins surveyers of
hygh ways for the west end of the town
- 15) voted Benjaⁿ Davis and Joseph Jewell Juner tything men
- 16) voted Jacob Bradbery and John Curtis fence vewers
- 17) voted that swine shall go at large
- 18) voted Sam^l Child and nathanel Jewell hog reaves
- 19) voted Jonathan newell sealer of waights and measures
- 20) voted and excepted of a high way laid out from Joshua
Healys farm to our meeting house
- 21) voted and raised fourteen Pounds old tener bills to de-
fray the charge of the committey coming upon the county
roade through our town last fall namly Curnal dwite Curnal
ward and Capt Commers
- 22) voted that a notification set up at our meeting house a
suttable time shall be a suffisent warning for our town meetings
for time to come
- 23) voted John bracket surveyer for the highways for the
est end
- 24) voted to have the school house opened two hours a
Sabbath day noons

the several officers above named have taken there oaths to serve in the offices they are chose unto except Benjaⁿ Davis and nathaniel Jewell

Dudley February y^e 20th 1743⁴

A highway laid out by the select men of sd town Beginning at the est end of Joshua Healys lain at a small black oake tree in the corner of sd healys fence Runing east to a white oake tree markt from thence to a small black oak tree markt from thence est to a little white oak stadle with heep of stons about it from thence to a small Black oak tree markt by the south-west corner of the four acres at our meeting house and the above mentioned marks are all on the north side of sd hig way and the sd highway to be two rods & a half wide

The above mentioned highway was brought in at our anuel meeting in March 1744 and expected by the town

Dudley March y^e 6th 1744

Warrant

Worcester ss to the Constables Jonathan Hibbert and Ebenezer Coburn greeting you are hearby Required forth-with to warn the several inhabatence in the town in your wards qualified to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on thusday the 13th day of March instent at one Clock after Noon then and there to act upon the following articles

1) To see if the town will make choyce of sume of those gentelmen we have already heard to preach with us upon Probation in order to settle with us in the ministry

2) To chuse a committy to Procure those gentelmen to Preach with us

3) to grant money to defray the sd charges

4) to chuse a Person to take care of our school house upon the Sabbath

5) to raise money for the relefe of mary weller she having become a town charge

and make due Return of your warrants with your doings hearon to the select men as you will answer the same at the Penelty of the Law in that case made and Provided

By order of the select men

Benjamen Conant Town Clerk

By vertue of this we have warned the several inhabtance of the Town of Dudley in our wards

Jonathan Hibbert Ebenezer Coburn Constables

at a meeting of the inhabtance of the town of Dudley regu- town meeting
larly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on tuesday
the 13th day of march 1744

1) voted John vintin moderater for sd meeting

2) voted to hear mr burbeen fore Sabbaths upon Probation in order to settle with us in the ministry and Provided the gentleman is not to be obtand the same Committee To Procuer mr Leaslen to preach with us under the same head of settleing with us

3) voted John vintin Ebenezer Edmunds & Ebenezer Bacon to be a Committee to Procuer the above mentioned Gentlemen to Preach with us fore Sabbaths apeace upon Probation in order to settle with

4) voted 44 Pounds old tener Bills to defray the charge of Preaching 8 Sabbaths

5) voted 18 Pounds old tener Bills for the releff of mary weller she having become a town charge

Dudley may y^e 7th 1744

whereas the Brethren of the Chh in Dudley propose to notification
assemble to gather on thirsday the 17th day of may instent in
order to agree upon a day of fasting and prayer in order to ask

Direction and presents of gods spirit in the great and important affair of making choice of a meet person to be set over them in the pastoral office

These are therefore to notify and request the inhabitants of the town of Dudley to meet at our meeting house in sd town on thursday y^e 17th day of may current at three a clock after noone with the sd Chh to se if they will concur with them in appointing and keeping a solemn fast unto the Lord upon sd important ocasion as the Chh shall agree

By order of the Select men

Benjaⁿ Conant town Clerk

Chh meeting At a meeting of the Chh in Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on Thursday y^e 17th day of may 1744

- 1) voted Decean Edmunds moderater for sd meeting
 - 2) voted Benjaⁿ Conant Clerk for sd meeting
 - 3) voted unanemusly to hold a day of fasting and prayer to god for Direction in the great and weighty affair of calling and settleing a minister
 - 4) voted that thursday the 24th day of may instent to be held as a Day of solemn fasting and prayer to god for council and Direction in the great and important affair before us
 - 5) voted the rev^d m^r Camble of oxford y^e revd m^r rice of Sturbrig y^e revd m^r Stills of woodstock to be the gentlemen to carry on the work of our fast for us
 - 6) voted Benjaⁿ Newell Eben^r Bacon and John Burnul jun^r to be a commitee to treat with those gentlmen concerning carrying on the work of sd day
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town meeting at a meeting of the inhabitant of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meting house in sd town on thursday the 17th day of may 1744

- 1) voted Decean Edmunds moderater for sd meeting
- 2) voted and concurd with the church in holding and keeping a Day of fasting and prayer to god for Direction in the great and weighty affairs be fore us and also unighted in the choice of those gentlmen to carry on the work of sd day



Worcester ss Dudley May y^e 26 1744

Warrant

To the Constable or Constables of the town of Dudley greeting you are here by Required to Notify and warn []holders and other inhabitance Qualified as the [] to vote in town affairs to Assemble and meet at our meeting house in Dudley on the cleventh Day of June at one of the clock after Noon then and there if thay shall see cause to concur with the Bretheren of the Church in the choice of a Person to settle hear in the work of the gosples ministry provided they shall confine there choice to some one of these following m^r Easterbrooks m^r wenchester m^r Addams m^r gleason and m^r Burbean and also to agree upon some sutable settlement and salery for the incuragment of the gentleman then chosen and also to chuse a comm^{tee} to inform the gentlman that shall then be chosen as above sd

Eben ^r Edmunds	}	Select men
John vintin		
Benj ⁿ newell		
Joseph Edmunds		

June y^e 11th 1744

I have warnd by setting up the notificacion according to the agreement of y^e town the freeholders and other inhabitants of y^e town of Dudley according to the Directions in y^e warrant
Jacob Chamberlin Constable



at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regn- town meeting

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lerly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday the eleventh day of June 1744

1) voted Decean Joseph Edmunds moderator for sd meeting
 2) voted and chose m^r Charls gleason of Brookline to the work of the gospel ministry in sd town by a great majority of vots 46 vots out of 54

3) voted to give the sd m^r gleason as a consideration for his settleing with us in sd work the sume of 350 pounds in Bills of Credit of the old tener

4) voted to give the sd m^r gleason 150 pounds per annum in Bills of publick Credit of the old tener for his salery

5) voted and chose Leiu^r Joshua healy and John Burnul jun^r a com^{tee} to wait upon the sd m^r gleason with a copy of y^e foregoing vots

Dudley July ye 16th 1744

warrant

To either of the Constables of the town of Dudley Joseph aysr or Jacob Chamberlin greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to notefy by setting this up at the meeting house or warning the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on thirsday the 26th day of july instent at two of the clock affternoone then and their to act upon the following articles

1) to se if the town will make any additions to what they have already offered to m^r gleason for his settlement and salery

2) to chuse a committee to wait upon the honourable judge Dudley [] if his honor will afford sume releife under our present [] settleing a gospel minister

3) to chuse a committee to address the great and general Court to se if we can have our province tax abaited for y^e present year and mak Due return of your proceedings to the select men as you will answer the same at the penyty of the law in that case made and provided

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant town clerk

By vertue of this warrant I have warnd the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley by setting this warrant up at the meeting according to the towns agreement

Joseph ayrs Constable



at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on thursday y^e 26th day of July 1744 town meeting

1) voted and chose Esq vintin moderater for sd meeting

2) voted to give m^r Charls gleason of Brookline as a consideration for his settling with us in the work of the ministry 400 pounds in Bills of Credit of y^e old tener contract with
mr gleason

3) voted to give the sd m^r gleason yearly for his salery so long as he shall carry on the work of the ministry with us 180 pounds in Bills of Credit of the old tener for the first year and to add five pounds a year in sd Bills till it coms to two hundred pounds and to keep the money as good as it now is

4) voted to give the sd m^r gleason after the expiration of four years 20 cords of wood yearly for the support of his fire cut and carted to his house

5) voted m^r Sam^l newell a Comittee man to wait upon the honourable judge Dudley of Roxbury to se if he will afford us any releife under our present chargs in settleing a minister and also to address the great and general Court to se if we can have our province tax abated for the present year

6) voted Cap^t Edmunds and Benja^m Conant a Comittee to wait upon m^r gleason with a copy of the town vots



Dudley September y^e 4th 1744

Worcester ss to either of the Constables of the town of Dudley Joseph ayrs or Jacob Chamberlin greeting you are hereby requird forthwith to warn or notify by posting this up at the meeting house the several inhabitants of the town of warrant

Dudley Town Records, 1744.

Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on thursday y^e 13th day of Sep^r instent [

]ne a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

1) To se if the town will dispose of some part of the four acres of Land at our meeting house upon some reasonable terms for m^r gleason to build him a house on provided he shall settle with us

2) To se if the town will state m^r gleasons salerry at silver so much an ounce as m^r gleason and the town shall agree

3) for the town to receive m^r gleasons answer provided he is disposd to give it

4) To se if the town will give to m^r Jonathan newell and m^r Benjaⁿ newell of that pew which m^r Joseph Scott Built in our meeting house there paying the first cost in Building the same

5) To se if the town will give to m^r Thomus Cheeny of Dudley that sd Cheeny built on David Southwicks grant

6) To chuse a person to address the general Court to se if we can have our province tax abated for the present year

and make Due return of your proceedings to the select men as you will answer the same at your pèril

By order of the select men

Benjⁿ Conant town Clerk

By vertue of this warrant I have warnd the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley by posting this up at our meeting house according to the towns agreement to meet at time and place within mentioned

Joseph ayrs Constable

town meeting at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on thursday y^e 13th Day of Sep^r 1744

1) voted and chose Cap^t Eben^r Edmunds moderater for sd meeting

2) voted to give m^r Charls gleason of Brooklin one acree of land squar of at the south end of the four acres of the towns Land at our meeting house and half an acree adjoining lying about three squar on the west of sd four acres provided he shall settle with us in the work of the ministry

3) voted that silver shall be the standard for m^r gleasons salerry

4) voted that m^r Jonathan newell and m^r Benjaⁿ newell of Dudley shall have that pew that m^r Joseph Scott built in our meeting house upon the same footing the rest of the pews are dispoed of there paying the first cost in Building the same

5) voted that m^r Thomus Cheeny of Dudley shall have that pewe which sd Cheeny Built in our meeting house on David Southwicks grant upon the same footing that the rest of the pews are disposed of

6) voted not to send any person to the general Court concerning our province tax

7) voted our acceptance of m^r gleasons answer as well satisfied with it to settle with us in the work of y^e ministry

To the Church and town of Dudley gentlemen

mr gleasons
answer

The first offers you made me to settle with you in the ministry were such as I verily beleive it was not my Duty to accept and though you have since made some addition yet I have at present that charity for you as to think you have not increased them as you would have done had not your circomstances been so difficult as I perceive just now they are I have taken into serious consideration your invitation and offeres y^e circomstances of the tims and of your town and have concluded to answer as follows viz

I as to the settlement you offer though it is small yet what some persons not living in the town have given encourgment they will do for me besids y^e four hundred which you offer moves me to except it and rune the risque which I think is not small of gitting Land by and by to settle upon

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2 as to the salary it is so small that were you a large and an able people I would not except it but I expect that you will keep up y^e value of it by making it yearly equal to silver at so much an ounce as it is at this time and also that in case my circumstances by & by call for & yours will admitt it youll make further additions to it I fully expected you would have given me some wood at my first settling with you but since you have not done it I wont now insist upon it but I would let you know that I depend upon your giving me a sufficiency of fire wood yearly after the expiration of y^e four first years for I am fully perswaded y^t y^e salary you offer me will barely enough serve to provid other necesiceries upon the whole I would Let you know y^t I depend much upon your generiosty towards me in case you shall be able and I stand in need and nowe hoping I am in y^e way of my duty I hearby declare y^t I except your invitation to settle with you in y^e work of y^e ministry entreeting of god to furnish me for and assist me in this great and and important work and undertaking and to make me an instrument of promoting your unity peace and comfort & everlasting salvation in fine Begging of god to Bless and prosper you in all your lawfull interst and concerns & to inable us to live in love and peace while on earth and at death to translate us to his heavenly kingdom and glory I subscrib your affectionat freind and servent

Dudley Sept^r y^e 13th 1744

Charls gleason

Dudley Sept^r y^e 17th 1744

warrant

Worcester ss to either of the Constables of the town of Dudley Joseph ayrs or Jacob Chamberlin greeting you are hearby required forthwith to warn or notefy by posting this up at our meeting house the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifid to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e 24 day of Sept^r instent at one a clock after noone Then and there to act upon the following articles

- 1) To agree upon a day for the ordination of m^r Charls gleason to the work of the ministry amongst us
- 2) to raise money to Defray y^e charge of the sd ordination
- 3) to chuse a committee to make provition for ye sd Day
- 4) to agree upon a place were entertainment shall be made
- 5) to agree upon whate Churchs to send to to assist us in the ordination
- 6) to se if the town will part with any of that box of glass in our meeting house to m^r John pottee and make Due return of your proceedings to the select men as you will answer the same at your peril

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

By vertue of this warant I have warnd the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley by posting this up at our meeting house according to the towns agreement to meet at time and place within mentioned

Joseph ayrs Constable

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regu- town meeting
lerly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday
the 24th day of Sep^r 1744

- 1) voted and chose Decean Edmunds moderater for sd meeting
- 2) voted that wensday the 31^r day of october 1744 shall be the Day for the ordination of m^r charls gleason to the pasteral office amongst us
- 3) voted and chose the rev^d m^r Alline of Brooklin the rev^d m^r nathanael walter of roxbury y^e revd m^r Cambel of oxford y^e revd m^r Stills of woodstock ye revd m^r rice of Sturbrig the revd m^r brigam of brimfeild to be the gentlemen to assist us in the ordination of m^r Charls gleason of Brooklin to the work of y^e ministry amongst us

Dudley November y^e 15th 1744

warrant

Worcester ss to either of the Constables Joseph ayrs or Jacob Chamberlin greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify by posting this up at our meeting house the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on friday y^e 23^d Day of november instent at one a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

1) to grant money to Defray the charg of preaching from the first of july last to y^e first of november instent

2) to grant money to pay m^r horsmere for building the pound and make Due return of your proceedings to the select men as you will answer the sam at the peril of the Law in that case made and provided

By order of y^e select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerk

By vertue of this warrant I have warnd the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley by posting this up at our meeting house according to the towns agreement to meet at time and place within mentioned

Joseph ayrs Constable

nothing acted upon this warrant because people Declind there atendence at the meeting

Dudley november y^e 29th 1744

the Lists made for the province county and town rates and Delivered into the constables hands with a warrant for collecting the town rates

Constable ayrses List for the province sume total 22-6-8 and to the County 1-8-9

Constable ayrses List for the town rate sume total 57-19-11

Constable Chamberlins List for y^e province sume total 21-0-0 and to the County 1-7-6

Constable Chamberlins List for the town rate sume total 75-18-6

and the several List above named are all in y^e new tenor
m^r gleasons salary to begin at his ordination

to make the town rates for this year 200 pounds of m^r gleasons settlement 180 pounds for his salary 44 pounds for m^r burbeen and [] upon probation and 56 pounds for m^r gleason from [] last to his ordination and 20 pound for m^r howe for [] eason the same time and 18 pound for the support of [] and about 14 pounds for the charg of y^e county [] he old tenor

Dudley november y^e 29th 1744

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of Dudley Joseph ayrs or Jacob Chamberlain greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifid to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on thirsday the 6th day of December next at at one a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

warrant

1) to se if the town will agree to hier a school master for the winter season

2) if they Do agree thereto then to grant money to Defray the charg thereof and also to chuse a committee to provid a school master and Likwise a place for him to board at and make Due return of your proceedings to the select men as you will answer the same at the peril of the law in that case made and provided

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerk

By vertue of this warrant I have warnd the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned by posting this up at our meeting house according to the towns agreement

Jacob Chamberlain Constable

meeting

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on thursday y^e 6th Day of December 1744

1) voted and chose Decean Edmunds moderater for sd meeting

2) voted 50 pounds in money of the old tenor to be raised upon the inhabitants of Dudley to Defray the charge of schooling as far as the money will go and each part of ye town to pay there proportion of money for schooling were they see cause to subscribe

3) voted Captt Corbin Leften^t healy and Leften^t newell for a committee to provid a schoole master for the senter of the town and a place for hime to board at

4) vote Esq^r Vintin m^r Joseph putney and m^r Joseph Sabin for a committee to provid a school master for the west end of the town and a place [] him to board at

Dudley january y^e 7th 1744-5 the school rate for ye east end of the town of Dudley Delivered to ye Constable Joseph ayrs sume total of his List 6-19-8 new tenor

Dudley january y^e 7th 1744-5 the schoole rate maid for ye west end of the town of Dudley and Delivered to the Constable Jacob Chamberline sume total of his List 7-2-3 new tenor

to make up the sume in these List is 50 pounds for schooling and 6 pounds to m^r horsmere for building the pound old tenor

Dudley Feb y^e 20th 1744-5

Then Received of the Town of Dudley the whole of all the Salary granted to Me by said Town unto this Day

I Say Received by Me

Perley Howe

Dudley February y^e 25th 1744 5

Worcester ss to either of the Constables of the Town of
Dudley Joseph Ayrs or Jacob Chamberlin Greeting you warrant
are hereby Required forthwith to warn or Notify by Posting
this up at our meeting house the several inhabitation of y^e town
of Dudley Qualifyd to vote in Town affairs to meet at our
meeting house in sd Town on monday the forth Day of march
next at ten a clock in y^e morning then & there to act upon the
following articles

- 1) To chuse Town officers for the year insuing
- 2) to see if the town will establish such highways as then
shall be brought in to the town meeting for there acceptance
- 3) to see if ye town will allow m^r horsemore account and
money and make Due Return hearof to the select as will
answer the same at the Peril of the Law in that case made and
Provided

By order of y^e select Men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerk

By vartue of this warrant I have warned the several inhabi-
tants of the Town of Dudley to meet at time and place within
mentioned by Posting this up at our meeting house

Joseph Ayrs Constable

At a meeting of y^e inhabitation of y^e town of Dudley Regu-
larly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday
the y^e 4th Day of march 1745

- 1) voted Capt Corbine moderater for sd meeting
- 2) voted to have 5 select men for the year insuing
- 3) voted Benjaⁿ Conant y^e first select man
- 4) voted Deacon Edmunds y^e second select man
- 5) voted Capt Corbine y^e third select man
- 6) voted Benjaⁿ Newell y^e forth select man
- 7) voted Samuel Newell y^e fifth select man
- 8) voted Benjaⁿ Conant town clerk
- 9) voted Capt Corbine town treasurer

- 10) voted Lef^t Newell Constable for y^e west end of y^e town
- 11) voted Sam^l Fairbank Constable for y^e est end of y^e town
- 12) voted Jonathan Hobbs & John Burnel Sener survayers of high ways for y^e west end of y^e town
- 13) voted John burnal junr & John bracket survayers of highways for the est end of y^e town
- 14) voted Philip Corbine & Eligah gore tything men
- 15) voted Lef^t Healy & Josep Putney fence vewers
- 16) voted Lef^t Newell sealer of wats & measurers
- 17) voted to have swine shut up
- 18) voted Daniel Harrise Joshua vintin Andew White Habakkuk Davison hog reves for the year insuing
- 19) voted and accepted that sed^r highway from mixers saw mill to a highway formerly Laid out from nathan Ramsdills to Ebenezer Davsons this Road to be two Rods wide
- 20) voted and allod m^r horsemares account of fore Pounds and five shiling and sum odd pence old tenor

These several officers above chosen have taken there oaths as the Law Directs

Dudley may y^e 2^d 1744 then a highway Laid out by the select men of sd town begining at phinahas mixers saw mill through sd mixers Land by the west end of his house to a large chasn[] tree in sd mixers Land markit on the east sid of sd road [] thence pritty straight through the norwest corner of nath[] Land to a large chasnut tree by the east sid of a [] markit on the west sid of sd road on Capt [] and from sd rune the whole to go on Capr gores Land to a road formerly Laid out by the select men from nathan ramsdils to Eben^r Davisons and this road from mixers about a southerly cors to the othere road and to be two rod wide and this road was brought to anueil meeting in march 1745 and establisht by the town

April y^e 19th 1745 then the select men made a rate for to powder rates
procure a town stock of ammonition and sume total of the east
end List is 6-13-0 newe tenor

and the sume total of the west end List is 6-17-3 new tenor

and these several Lists were Compleated and Delivered into
the Constables hands with warrants for colecting the same
namly Constable Sam^l fairbanks for the east end and Constable
Jonathan newell for the west end of the town of Dudley

Dudley may y^e 2^d 1745

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of warrant
Dudley Sam^l fairbanks or Jonathan Newell greeting you
are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify by posting this
up at our meeting house the several inhabitants of the town of
Dudley qualifd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting
house in sd town on thursday y^e ninth Day of may instent at
three a clock after noone then and there to act upon the
following articles

1) to chuse a sutible person to represent our town at y^e great
and general court to be held and kept at the town house in
Boston for y^e year insuing for his majestys services

2) to se if y^e town will pay to m^r Joseph ayrs of Dudley
the sume of two hundred pounds old tenor Bills it being the
one half of the revd m^r gleasons settlement and to pay one
hundred pounds in november 1746 and the other hundred in
november 1747 with the interst thereof

3) to se if the town will reconsider the vote that was past
at our Last anneueal meeting concerning the shutting up of
our swine and to Let them go at Large

and make Due return of your proceedings to the select men
as you will answer your Defalt at the peril of the Lave in that
case made and provided

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerk

By vertue of this warrant I have warnd the inhabitants of

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the town of Dudley by posting this up at our meeting []
to meet at time and place within mentioned

Sam^l fairbanks Constable

town meeting at a meeting of the inhabitants of y^e town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd Town on thursday y^e 9th Day of may 1745

- 1) voted and chose Cap^t vintin moderater for sd meeting
 - 2) a vote being requested wether the town would send a representative to the general court and the vote past in the negitive
 - 3) agreed that nothing should be acted on y^e 2^d article in ye warrant
 - 4) voted that swine shall go at Large being regulated according to Law
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April y^e 17th 1745 then we the subscribers select men of oxford and Dudley preabelated and renewed the Bounds between our sd townships of oxford and Dudley begining at a heap of stons on the north sid of a Little brook in judge Dudleys south Line of his farme and being the Northwest corner of Lef^t Larnerds Lot from thence west to a heap of stones on a Rock it being the southwest corner of Judge Dudleys farm from thence North to a heap of stones which is the northwest corner of Judge Dudleys farm & thence runing about west to the Southwest corner of oxfod and Northwest corner of Dudley adjoining upon Sturbrig

Benja ⁿ Conant	}	Select men of Dudley
Clement Corbine		
Samuel Newell		

Ebenezer Learned	}	Select men of Oxford
Israel Town		

May y^e 3 : 1745 after Lawfull warning Given wee the subscribers select men of woodstock & Dudley meet and perambulated y^e Bounds Between sd Towns we begun at a heap of stones in y^e east Line of woodstock being one of y^e south-west corners of Dudley & from thence to a larg w^t oak Being y^e N : E corner of woodstock thence in y^e north line of woodstock untill we come to a large heap of stons westterly to y^e utmost south w^t corner of sd Dudley By a large w^t pine tree we renewed y^e Bounds formerly maid within the Dementions above mentioned

Henry Bowen } Select men for
Dan^l paine } Woodstock

Joseph Edmunds } Select men
Benjaⁿ newell } for Dudley

Dudley November y^e 2^d 1745

Worcester ss to either of the Constables of the town of Dudley Sam^l fairbanks or Jonathan newell greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify by posting this up at our meeting house the several inhabitants of Dudley qualifid to Vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on tuesday y^e 12th day of november instent at one a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

warrant

- 1) to se if the town will agree to have a schoole and in what method to have it kept
- 2) to grant money to Defray the charge thereof
- 3) to chuse a committee to provid schooling and a place for the schoole master to board at
- 4) to se if the [] will consider and help the treasurer in what is Lost of the Land tax and also to releve some of the Constables in there rates which they cannot recover and make Due return of this warrant as you will answer the

same at the peril of the Law in that case maide and provided

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant town clerk

by vertue of this notification I have notifid the several inhabitants of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned

Sam^l fairbanks Constable

town meeting at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on tuesday the 12th day of november 1745

1) voted and chose Cap^t Corbin moderater for sd meeting and by reason y^e peoples not being more generally together we thought fit to adjourn the sd meeting to monday the eighteenth Day of november instent at one a clock after noone

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town upon the adjournment from y^e 12th day of november 1745 to monday y^e 18th of this instent november

1) voted to have a school kept three months this winter season at our school house

2) voted 30 pounds in old tenor bills to Defray the charg of a schools being kept at our school house this winter season

3) voted Lef^t Joshua healy and m^r Sam^l Corbin to be a Committee to provid a school master and also a place for him to board at

warrant

Dudley November y^e 23^d 1745

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of Dudley Sam^l fairbanks or Jonathan newell greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e 2^d daye

of December next at one a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

- 1) to se if the town will reconsider or Disanul the vots at our Last town meeting concerning our having a school kept
 - 2) to come into sune other method for schooling
 - 3) to grant money to Defray the charg thereof
 - 4) to chuse a committee or committees to provide schooling and likewise a place or places for sd person or persons to board at and make Due return of this warrant as you will answer y^e same at the peril of the Law in that case made and provided
- By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

In obedience to this warrant I have notifyd y^e inhabitants of this town according to the custum of y^e place By posting of it at the publick meeting house

Sam^l fairbanks constable

at a meeting of y^e inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday the 2^d day of December 1745

meeting

- 1) voted and Cap^t Vintin moderater for sd meeting
- 2) voted to belong to the west end of the town for schooling to begin at Elijah gores from thence to John Davisons and to nathaniel jewells from thence to philip newells these families with all living in the westerly part of the town from them to be a society for schooling by themselves

Division of school wards

- 3) voted to belong to the east end of the town for schooling to begin on the west Line of old m^r Dickes farm from to m^r Bastose and these with all on the east sid the french river to be a sosity for schooling by themselves and that the town remain so Devided for schooling for the future

- 4) voted that both y^e west and y^e east end of the town shall have there proportion of the thirty pounds of money granted at our Last town meeting for to Defray y^e charg of schooling

- 5) voted m^r Joseph putney and m^r Benjaⁿ newell to be a

committe to provid schooling for the west end of y^e town

6) voted old m^r Dicke and Jacob bradbery to be a committee to provid schooling for the east end of the town

Dudley December 1745

the Lists made by the assessers of sd town for the province county and town rates with warrants for colect[] the town assessments and Deliverd into y^e Constables han[]

Constable Sam^l fairbanks List to the province som total 26-17-9 new tenor and to the county 1-7-4 new tenor and in his town List the sume total 44-14-3 new tenor and in his school List y^e sume total 4-0-1

and Constable Jonathan newells List to y^e province sume total 24-4-9 new tenor and to the county 1-4-11 new tenor and his town List the sume total 52-0-1 new and in his school List sume total 3-14-6 new tenor

and the sume to make up these great List of the town rats is m^r gleason his salary 185 pounds and 200 pounds of his settlement

Dudley January y^e 22^d 1745-6

warrant

Worcester ss to either of the Constables of ye town of Dudley Sam^l Fairbanks or Jonathan Newell Greeting you are hereby Required forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitance of the Town of Dudley qualified to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on monday ye 3 day of fabruary Next at two a clock after Noone then and there to act upon ye following articles

1) to chuse a committee to settle acompts with the town treasurer Relating to the tows money and to make report to the town of there settlement with the treasurer at our next aneual meeting

2) to see if the town will build a school house at the west

Part of the town and make Due Return of this warrant as you will answer the same at the Peril of the Law in that case made and Provided

By order of ye select men

Benjaⁿ Conant town clerk

In obedience to this warrant I have Notified the Inhabitanee of this town according to the Late custom of this Place By posting a cobby of the articles within mentioned

P: ^m Sam^{ll} fairbanks Constable

at a meeting of the inhabitanee of the town of Dudley regu- town meeting
lerly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday
ye 3^d of february 1745-6

1) voted mr Nathanel Dike moderater for sd meeting

2) voted to have 3 men for a committe to settle with the town treasurer

3) voted and chose m^r Benjⁿ Conant mr Sam^{ll} Newell & m^r John Lillie for a committee to settle acompts with the town treasurer relating to the towns money and make report to the town at our Next aneuel meeting

Dudley February y^e 14 1746

Worcester ss to either of the Constables of the town of warrant
Dudley To Sam^{ll} fairbanks or Jonathan Newell Greeting
you are hereby Requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitanee of ye town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to meet att our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e 3^d Day of march Next at nine a clock in the morning Then and there to act upon the following articals

1) to chuse town officers for the year insuing as the law Directs

2) to see if the town will establish the several highways

which are then to be brought to the town for there acceptance
and make Due Return of this warrant as you will answer
y^e same at the peril of the Law in that case made and Provided
By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerk

In obedience to this warrant I have notified the several in-
habitation of this town that are quallified to vote in town affairs
by Posting a notification spacifying the time and Place where
and the several artticles to act upon at meeting according to
the custom of the Place

pm Sam^l fairbanks Constable

meeting

at a meeting of the Inhabitation of y^e town of Dudley regu-
larly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday
y^e 3^d Day of march 1745

- 1) voted m^r nathaniel Dicke moderater for sd meeting
- 2) voted there non accepttence of the commettees account
from y^e treasurer
- 3) voted Benjaⁿ Conant town clerke
- 4) voted to have five select men
- 5) voted Benjaⁿ Conant y^e first select man
- 6) voted John Lillie the 2^d select man
- 7) voted richard kidder y^e 3^d select man
- 8) voted Joseph putney the 4th select man
- 9) voted John pollie the 5th select man
- 10) voted Sam^l newell town treasurer voted y^e select
men to be assesers
- 11) voted Cap^t Eben^r Edmunds Constable for the west end
of y^e town
- 12) voted philip Corbin Constable for the east end of the
town
- 13) voted Elijah gore and uriah richardson tything men
- 14) voted Sam^l fairbanks sen^r and Jacob bradbery surveyers
of highways for the east end of the town

15) voted Eben^r Bacon and Elijah Dodge surveyers of highway for y^e west end

16) voted that swine shall go at Large being yoked & ringd as y^e Law Directs

17) voted Eben^r grigs to be hoge reves

18) voted John^r Curtis and Sam^{ll} fairbanks jun^r to be fence vewers

19) voted there acceptance of the too highways one from Daniel Coburns sen^r to our meeting house and one from Joseph putneys to nathan Denises

the several officers above named have taken there oaths accept Cap^{tt} Edmunds



Dudley november y^e 4th 1745

A highway laid out by the select men of sd town begining^r at the west end of Daniel Coburn Sen^rs house runing about north to a little wight oak stadle with a heep of stons about it between the road and his old feild fence at the north part of his feild from thence runing about north straight to a chasnut tree with a heep of stons about it standing by the road that coms from Cap^{tt} Clement Corbins to our meeting house near the little bridge and the above sd marks are on the east sid of sd road and sd road to be four rod wid from sd Coburns to our meeting house

Some time in the fall in the year 1744 the select men of Dudley were up at m^r Joseph putneys house in sd town in order to alter the road that was formerly laid out by the select men of sd town from m^r putneys by Eben^r Coburns and we thought it most convinient to have it from m^r putneys house runing about southeast through sd putneys land by a cuple of walnut stables and over the brook at the south part of his medow at a place calld the bever Dame and from thence near as the path nowe is to a little gate between sd putneys land and Eben^r Coburns land and so through the south west corner of sd Coburns as the path is now trod into

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the north end of nathan Denises lain and this alteration was maid for these reasons namly it being most agreeable to the neighbourhood that imbroved it and Least charge in mending and the straightest road

and these above sd roads were brought to our anenal meeting in march 1746 and accepted by the town

Sturbrige january y^e 30th 1745-6

then received of Jonathan and Benjaⁿ newell of Dudley the sume of seven pounds old tenor which is in full for a pewe which I the subscriber built in Dudley meeting house and am now satisfid for sd pewe which is the first cost therof according to the town vote concerning the pews I say receivd by Joseph Scott which is in full

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Dudley march y^e 3^d 1745-6

Constable Jonathan newell you are hearby requird forthwith to notify Eben^r Edmunds gent^{ll} to appear at the house of m^r Sam^{ll} newells in sd town on wedensday y^e 5th Day of this instant at 5 a clock after noone in order to take the Constable's oath

By order of y^e select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerk

march y^e 4th 1745-6

I have according to order within written sited Eben^r Edmunds at time and place in order to take his oath

Jonathan newell Constable

Dudley may y^e 9th 1746

warrant

Worcester ss to Constable philip Corbin greeting you

are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifid to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e 19th day of may instent at two a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

1) to chus a meet person to represent the town of Dudley at the great and general court to be kept at the town house in boston the year insuing

2) to se if the town will give the widow Chamberline her rats

3) to se if the town will hire a reading school the summer insuing and if they Do to grant money to Defray the charg thereof and to chuse a committee to provide sd schooling

4) to se if the town will build a school house at the west part of the town and if they will to grant money to Defray the charg thereof

5) to se if the town will come into some other method for the mending of our highways and make Due return of this warrant with your proceedings as you will answer the same at the peril of the law in that case made and provided

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant town clerke

By vertue of this notificacion I have notifid the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned

philip Corbin Constable

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regu- town meeting
lirly assembled att our meeting house in sd town on monday
y^e 19th of may 1746

1) vote and chose Cap^t Clement Corbin moderater for sd meeting

2) vote not to send a representitive to the great and general Court

3) a vote being requested weather the town will hire a

reading school the summer insuing and the vote past in the negative

4) voted to come into some other method for the mending of our highways

5) vote 100 pounds old tenor for the mending of our highway the present year

6) voted that worke at our highways in the months of may june and july at ten shillings a day and in August and september at 8 shilling a Day and after that at six shillings a Day

warrant

Dudley Sep^{tt} y^e 2^d 1746

Worcester ss to Constable philip Corbin greeting
you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the severā inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in [] town on tusday y^e 16th Day of this instent at twelve a clock then and there to act upon the following articles

1) to se if the town will allow Cap^{tt} Edmunds five pounds old tenor to serve as constable and the other charge that has arisen on that account or to leave the matter to three men whome sd Edmunds and y^e town shall appoint

2) to se if the town will raise money to provide a standerd of weights and meassurs for the towns use

3) to se if the town will grant money to defray the charge of John rich

4) to se if the town will agree to hier schooling for this winter and if so then to grant money to defray the charg thereof and also to chuse committees to provid sd schooling

5) to se if the town will proceed build a school house at the west part of the town and make due return of this with your proceeds as you will answer the same at the peril of the Law

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

By vertue of this notificacion I have notifyd the severā in-

habitants of the town of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned

philip corbin Constable

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on tuesday y^e 16th of Sep^r 1746 town meeting

- 1) voted Deacon Edmunds moderater for sd meeting
 - 2) voted not to give Cap^t Edmunds five pounds to serve as Constable for the present year nor yet to leave it to men to desid the matter
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at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on tuesday y^e 30th Day of Sep^r 1746 upon adjournment from y^e 16th day of this instent Sep^r to the 30th day of sd month

- 1) voted to have a standerd of weights and measurs provided for the towns use as may be with convinney
 - 2) voted fourteen pounds old tenor to John Lillie for his charg with John rich
 - 3) voted 19 pounds old tenor to Jams Corbin for his board- ing John rich 19 weeks
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a true List of the nams of y^e members of the Baptist Church in Dudley Joseph wakefeild Benjaⁿ putney paul robinson Silas robinson Jonathan putney and the nams of them that attend the Baptist meeting francisse curtis John Curtis william wakfield this is to sartify the town clerk of Dudley and the assesers of sd town that we have chosen paul robinson and francisse Curtis to se that the assessers give order to the Constable of Dudley not to take any rates of the brethern nor of any of the

List of the
baptist

society of the baptist Church to support your minester or
Defray minesteral chargs or erecting any place of worship
for your society may y^e 4th 1744

Jonathan marsh clerk of the Baptist Church

Jams Coats brother of the Church

Dudley october y^e 17th 1746

a warrant

Worcester ss to Constable philip Corbin greeting
you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several
inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town
affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on wednesday
the 29th of this instent at one a clock after noone then and
there to act upon the following articles

1) to se if town will chuse a person to serve a select
man instead of John pollice being in his majestys servis

2) to se if the town will agree to remove the school house
that is by our meeting house for the better convening the in-
habitants belong to sd school or to have y^e school removed as
they may think fitt

3) to se if the town will allow to our brethren in the west
part of the town there proportion in money or labour which
they paid to our school house at our meeting house

4) to grant money to defray the charge of schooling for
this winter season and likewise to chuse committees to provid
sd schooling and make due return of your proceedings as
you will answer ye same at the peril of y^e law in that case
made and provide

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant _ Town Clerk

By vertue of this notyfication I have notfyd y^e several inhab-
itants of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned
philip corbin constable

at a meeting of y^e inhabitant of ye town of Dudley town meeting
regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on wed-
nesday y^e 29th Day of october 1746

- 1) voted Esq Vinton moderater for sd meeting
 - 2) voted Esqr Vinton select man in the roome of m^r John pollice he being in his majestis servis
 - 3) voted that the school belonging to the middle part of the town is to be removed for this year as y^e societee shall agree
 - 4) voted that the west society for schooling shall have there part in money or labour which they paid towards the school house at our meeting house
 - 5) voted 50 pounds old tenor to defray the charg of schooling as far as the money will go
 - 6) voted m^r Eben^r Bacon and m^r John burnul a committee to provide schooling for the middle part of the town
 - 7) voted m^r John Curtis and m^r Elijah gore a committee to provid schooling for the west part of the town
 - 8) voted m^r John Brackit and m^r Jacob bradbery a committee to provid schooling for the east part of the town
- the sd Esq^r Vinton tooke the assessers oath imedeatly upon his being chosen
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Dudley December 1746

the rats made for this year with warrants for colecting the same signd by the assessers and deliverd into the constables hands the 8th day of this instent

Constable Eben^r Edmunds list to the province & county
25-2-7

and his list to the ministers rate 25-1-11

and his liste to the school rate 6-9-10

and his list for John rich rate 4-17-1

Constable philip Corbins list to y^e province & county
25-10-7

and his list to the minester rate 22-19-4

and his list to the school rate 6-7-6
and his list for John richs rate 4-15-0

our annual
meeting

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday the second day of march 1747

- 1) voted Cap^t John Vinton moderater for sd meeting
- 2) voted to have five select men
- 3) voted Benjaⁿ Conant y^e first select man
- 4) voted Cap^t Vinton the second select man
- 5) voted Deacon newell y^e third select man
- 6) voted m^r Joseph putney y^e fourth select man
- 7) voted m^r Eben^r Bacon y^e fifth select man
- 8) voted Benjaⁿ Conant town clerke
- 9) voted m^r Sam^l newell town treasurer
- 10) voted m^r Elishua Sabin constable for y^e west end of the town
- 11) voted m^r Uriah richardson constable for y^e east end of the town
- 12) voted m^r Jonathan Hobbs and m^r Benjaⁿ Davis tything men
- 13) voted m^r Jonathan Hobbs and m^r Joseph jewell jun^r surveyers of highways
- 14) voted m^r nathan ramsdil and m^r Sam^l Corbin surveyers of highways
- 15) voted m^r Joshua Healy sealer of weights and measurs
- 16) voted m^r Elishua Corbin and m^r Joseph polly hogreavs for y^e insuing year
- 17) voted that swine shall go at large for y^e year insuing
- 18) voted m^r Jacob bradbery and m^r John Curtis at the west end fence vewers

and the several officers above named have taken there oaths as the law directs

Dudley may y^e 8th 1747

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of warrant
Dudley Elishua Sabin or uriah richardson greeting you are
hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabi-
tants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to
meet at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e 18th day
of this instent at one a clock after noone then and there to act
upon the following articles

1) to chuse a meet person to represent the town at the
great & general court to be held and kept in Boston y^e year
insuing

2) to chuse a Constable in the room of Constable richardson

3) to se if the town will place them large stons to under-
pine our meeting house that m^r gleason may have the stons
which are now under sd house

4) to see if the town will build the galery stairs and if they
proceed then to chuse a committee to procure the stuff and git
the work done and also grant money to defray the charge therof

5) to se if the town will grant money to pay the charge of
taking care of our meeting house and also releve those consta-
bles concerning money they could not recover

6) to see if the town will hier schooling and grant money
to defray the charge theirol and likwise to chuse a committee
for schooling

7) to see if town will chuse a committee to wait upon the
rever^d m^r gleason to sarch into the fall of money

8) to raise money for the mending our highway and set a
price upon labour

9) to chuse a person to take care of the pound
and make due return of your proceedings as you will answer
the same at the perile of the law

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerk

town meeting at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e 18th of may 1747

- 1) voted Deacon Edmunds moderater for sd meeting
- 2) a vote being requested if y^e town would send a representative and it past in the negitive
- 3) voted and chose Paul robinson constable for y^e east end of the town in the roome of uriah richardson
- 4) voted 100-0-0 old tenor to provide stuff for our galery stairs and to finish the galery flower and do the brest work of the galery or as fare as the money will go
- 5) voted and chose Esq^r Vinton insign newell and m^r Joseph Putney for a committee to procure the above sd stuff and to git sd work done as soon as they can
- 6) voted forty shillings old tenor a year to roger cartur for taking care of our meeting house namly for opening y^e Doors & sweeping sd house
- 7) voted 60-0-9 old tenor to Defray the charge of schooling y^e year insuing
- 8) voted m^r Thomas newell and m^r John Burnul a committee to provid schooling for the senter of the town
- 9) voted Esq^r Vinton and m^r Joseph putney a school committee for the west part of the town
- 10) voted m^r John Brackit and m^r Jacob bradbery a school committee for the east part of the town
- 11) voted m^r John Burnul to take care of the pound

Worcester ss Dudley may y^e 22 1747 y^e select men of Dudley being Pr[] and paul robinson being latly crosen constable in sd town tooke the oath of office for a constable appertaining before sd select men and town clerk being present and at there desire before me

John Chandler justice apeace

Dudley November y^e 20 1747

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of Dudley Elishua Sabin or paul robinson greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e 16th day of Nov^r instent at one a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

warant

1) to se if the town will grant money to pay m^r Hebbard for keeping John rich

2) to se if the town will grant money to procure a standerd of weights and meassurs for the town's use

3) to see if the town will consider the rev^d m^r gleason as to his salery as to the deficyncy of the money and likewise if m^r gleason and the town seas cause to state his salery by the nesseserys of life

4) to see if the town will chuse a committee to state a place for a school house at the west end of the town and to mak return to the town

and make Due return of your proceedings as you will answer your Default at the peril of ye law in that case made and provided

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerk

By vertue of this notyfication I have notyfyd the several inhabitants of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned
Elishua Sabin Constable

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regu-
larly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday
y^e 16th day of november 1747

meeting

1) voted and chose Deacon Edmunds moderater for sd meeting

2) voted 29-6-0 old tenor to m^r Hebbard for his keeping John rich rich three and twenty weeks

3) voted 10-0-0 old tenor to procure a standerd of weights and measurs for the use of the town

mr gleasons
grant

4) voted sixty pounds old tenor for the rev^d m^r gleason for the Difictiony of money for y^e time past & till this year is out

5) voted and chose Cap^t Corbin m^r Sam^l Newell and m^r John Burnul for a committee to state a place for a school hous at the west end of the town

Dudley December 1747 the rates made for y^e present year Constable Elishua Sabins list to y^e province and county 35-19-5 and his list for the minester and meeting house 52-18 8 and his list for y^e school and for Hebbberd and a standerd 13-1-0

Constable paul robinsons list to y^e province and county 32-12-4 and his list for the minester and meeting house 41-1-2 and his list for y^e school and for Hebbberd and for a standerd 11-2-3

the several lists above mentioned were compleated in December 1747 with warrents for colecting the same and delivered into the Constables hand and y^e sed lists all in y^e new tenor.

Dudley march y^e 4th 1747-8 Then recieved three hundred & eighty five pounds old tenor in full for my settlement and salary from y^e last of October 1745 to y^e last of Oct^r 1746

Charles Gleason

Dudley march y^e 14th 1754 Then received y^e sum of one hundred and and sixty eight pounds sixteen shillings and eight pence in full of my salary settlement and arrearages to y^e last day of October 1753

As witness my hand Charles Gleason

at our aniuell meeting regularly assembled at our meeting house on the first monday y^e 7th 1747-8 by a vote of the town

1) voted and chose m^r Sam^l Newell moderater for sd meeting

2) voted to have five select men

3) voted Benjaⁿ Conant select man

4) voted Deacon Newell select man

5) voted m^r Eben^r Bacon select man

6) voted m^r Sam^l Newell select man

7) voted Lef^t Healy select man

8) voted the select men to be assessers

9) voted Benjaⁿ Conant town clerk

10) voted m^r Sam^l Newell town treasurer

11) voted m^r John Brackit constable for the east part of y^e town

12) voted m^r John Curtis constable for the west part of y^e town

13) voted m^r Jonathan Hobbs tything man

14) voted Lef^t Healy sealer of waits and measurse

15) voted Daniel Harris and Jacob bradbery surveyers of highways east part

16) voted Deacon Edmunds and insign Newell surveyers of highways west part

17) voted Eben^r Coburn and Daniel Dodge hogreav^s and fence vewers

18) voted insign Newell and quarter master bacon for Dear reavs

the several officers above named have taken there oaths

Dudley march y^e 15th 1747-8

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of Dudley John Curtis or John Brakit greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house on monday y^e 28th Day of march instant at

warrant

one a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following artiels

1) to se if the town will hier schooling for the year and if so then to grant money to defray the charg thereof

2) if the town shall proceed then to chues a committee or committees to provid schooling

3) for the town to agree upon sume method for the mending of our highways

4) to se if the town will allow swine to go at large and make Due return of your proceeding as you will answer Default at the peril of the law in that case made and provided

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant town clerk

By vertue of this notyfication I have notfyd the several inhabitants of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned

John Curtis Constable

town meeting at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e 28th day of march 1748

1) voted Deacon Newell moderater for sd meeting

2) voted to hier a school master for the year insuing

3) voted 100-0-0 old tenor besids whate is in banke of school money not yet spent in schooling to defray the charg of schooling the year insuing

4) voted m^r John Burnul m^r Jacob Bradbery and m^r Elijah gore for a committee to provid a school master the year insuing

5) voted 200-0-0 old tenor for the mending our highways y^e year insuing

6) voted labour at our highways from the first of April to the last of August at fifteen shillings old tenor a day and in

the months of Sep^r and october at twelve shillings a day and after that at eight shillings p^r Daye

7) voted to have swine go at large y^e year insuing

Dudley may y^e 4th 1748

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of Dudley John curtis or John Brakit greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town in town affairs to meet at our meeting house on monday the 16th day of may instent at three a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles warrant

1) to se if the town will chuse a meet person to represent the town at the great and general court kept and held in Boston for his majestis service to begin the 25th of the instent

2) to chuse a pound keeper and likewise to remove the pound were it may be more convinient

and make Due return of your proceedind as you will answer your Default at the peril of the law in that case made and provided

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerk

By vertue of this notificacion I have notifyd the several inhabitants of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned

John Curtis Constable

But no Deputy chosen

Dudley September y^e 12th 1748

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of Dudley John Curtis or John Brackit greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualified to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e 26th day warrant

of this instent at one a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

1) to chuse a committee to build a school house at the west part of the town

2) to se if the town will grant the east part of the town there proportion in money or labour of what they paid towards our school house at the meeting house and likewise to chuse a committee to build them a school house

3) to se in whate method the town will mend our meeting house windows

4) to se if the town will grant money to pay the presentment at Worcester concerning our school

5) for the town to agree upon some method to provid the rev^d m^r gleason his fire wood

6) to se if the town will consider the rev^d m^r gleason as to his salery and likewise to state his salery by the nesecerys of life and make due return of your proceedings as you will answer your Default at the Peril of the Law in that case made and provided

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerk

By vertue of the within written notification I have notifyd the several inhabitants of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned

John Curtis Constable

town meeting at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e 26th day of September 1748

1) voted m^r Sam^l Newell moderater for sd meeting

2) voted m^r Joseph putney m^r Joseph Sabin and John Curtis for a committee to build a school house at the west part of the town

3) voted to the east part of the town there proportion in

money or labour which they paid to our school house by our meeting house

4) voted m^r Jacob bradbery m^r John Brackit and m^r paul Robinson for a commitee to build a school house at the east part of the town

5) voted that every person haveing a window adjoyning to his pewe in our meeting house shall maintain the glass of sd window against his pew

6) voted ten pounds old tenor to pay the charge of our presentment at Court concerning our school

7) voted to the rev^d m^r gleason 30 cord of wood for his fires at 30 shilling a cord for the coming year and to be provided at his house by y^e middle of jan^r next

mr gleasons
grant

8) voted to the rev^d m^r gleason sixty pounds old tenor for the coming year as a consideration for the Dificency of money besids his 200-0-0

December y^e 13th 1748

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of Dudley John Curtis or John Brakit greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifid to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on tuesday the 20th of this instant at one a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

notification

1) to chuse a juryman for february Court at Worcester
2) to grant money for the school at the west part of ye town

3) to se if town will allow the west part of our town some of meeting house glass for there school house

4) to receive the west end committees account of the charge of there school house

5) for town to agree which part of time the school master shall keep at our meeting house and which part at the ends of

the town and likewise to grant money for our standerd more then has been granted

6) to se if the town will grant money to pay the rev^r m^r ruggs and the rev^r m^r howe for there preaching with us one Sabbath and one fast

and make due return of your Doings as you will answer your Default at the peril of the law

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerk

By vertue of this notification I have notifyd the several inhabitants of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned

John Brakit Constable

town meeting at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at meeting house in sd town on tusday y^e 20th of December 1748

1) vote Cap^t Vinton moderater for sd meeting

2) voted a suficiency of money for the west end school to make up whate is wanting with what is in Cap^t Edmunds hands

3) voted that the west part of the town shall have of our meeting house glass for there school house

4) voted there acceptance of the west end committees account of the charge of there school house

5) voted twenty eight pounds old tenor for the middle of the town to pay to the west end school house

6) vote 3-10-0 more old tenor for our standerd & also 12-0-0 old tenor for the rev^r m^r ruggles and for y^e rev^r m^r Howe

December 1748

Constable John Cortiss list to the province and county 34-3-1 new tenor and his list to the minester 34-3-7 new

tenor and his list in the school rate 13-3-0 new tenor and his list for the west end school house 27-15-8 new tenor

Constable John Brakits list to the province and county 79-16-3 new tenor and his list to the minister 30-17-5 new tenor and his list in the school rate 12-17-1 new tenor and his list for the middle of y^e town to the west school house 7-0-0 new tenor

and these several lists were made in December 1748 and Deliverd into the Constables hands with warrants for Colecting the same

Dudley february y^e 27th 1748-9

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of Dudley John Curtis or John Brackitt greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on monday the sixth Day of March next insuing at teen a clock in the forenoone then and there to act upon the following articles

warrant

1) to chuse town officers for the year insuing as the law directs

2) to se if the town will alter the road formerly laid out through David Southwicks land which in now Cap^{tt} Thomus Cheeneys and to have it on the west side of his wall and also anther road to be alterd which was laid out through the north east corner of Jonathan Newells land and through m^r Sam^{ll} Newells paster and mōwing and to have it in or near where the path is now trode

3) to se if the town will accept of a roade through Leftenant Healys land from the south end of John Davisons laine to m^r Sam^{ll} Newells gate

and make Due return of your proceedings as you will answer your Defalt at the peril of the Law in that case provided

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

By vertue of the within written notification I have notifiyd

the inhabitants of Dudley qualifid to vote in town affairs to meet at time and place within mentioned

John Curtis Constable

town meeting -at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday ye sixth Day of march 1749

- 1) voted and chose Esq^r Vinton moderater for sd meeting
- 2) voted to have five select me for the year insuing
- 3) voted Benjaⁿ Conant select man
- 4) voted Esq^r Vinton select man
- 5) voted Benjaⁿ Newell select^r man
- 6) voted John pollie select man
- 7) voted John Brackit select man
- 8) voted the select men to be assessers
- 9) voted Benjaⁿ Conant town clerke
- 10) voted Benjaⁿ Newell town treasurer
- 11) voted Rihcard kidder constable for the east end of ye town
- 12) voted Elijah gore constable for the west end of the town at a meeting on the 20th of this instent
- 13) voted m^r Joshua Healy sealer of waits and measuers
- 14) voted m^r Jon^{tn} Hobbs and paul rich surveyers of highways for y^e west end
- 15) voted m^r Sam^{ll} fairbanks and m^r James Corbin surveyers of highways for y^e east end Jams Corbin being chosen at a meeting on the 20th of this instent march
- 16) voted Eben^r Coburn and Eben^r Davison tything men
- 17) voted Daniel Harris and Elijah Dodge fence vewers
- 18) voted that swine shall go at large
- 19) voted Joshua Healy jun^r and Eben^r robinson hoge revees
- 20) voted by the town there acceptance of a highway through Cap^{tt} Cheenys farm which he hade of m^r David Southwicke and to have it on the west sid of sd Cheenys wall two

rode wide and to release the road formerly laid out through sd farm by the interveile

21) voted by the town there acceptance of a highway from the south end of John Davisons laine through Lifestent Joshua Healys land two rode wide to m^r Sam^l Newells gate

the several officers above named have taken there oaths as the Law Directs

m^r Sam^l Newell treasurer his account for y^e year 1748 whate I have received into the treasury and paid out

to the rev ^d m ^r gleason the sume of	255-0-0	old tenor
to the meeting house committe the sume of	100-0-0	old tenor
to Jonathan Hebbard the sume of	29-6-0	old tenor
to the west school committee the sume of	20-8-8	old tenor
to the midle school committee y ^e sume of	32-5-8	old tenor
to the east school committee the sume of	7-5-8	old tenor
to the select men to provide a standerd	10-0-0	old tenor
to roger Cartur for taking care of y ^e meet- ing house	6-0-0	old tenor

may y^e 8th 1749

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of
Dudley Richard Kidder or Elijah gore greeting you are
hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabi-
tants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to
meet at meeting house in sd town on wedensday y^e 17th day of
this instent at three a clocke after noone then and there to
act upon the following articles

warrant

1) to chuse a meet person to represent our town at the great and general court to begin on the last wedensday in this month in Boston and so through the year

2) to agree upon some method for the mending of our highways

3) to see if the town will hire a school Dame the summer insuing and grant money to Defray the charge thereof if need be

4) to chuse a person to repair our meeting house as to the claboards shingles and glass

5) to grant money to pay for taking care of our meeting house and sweeping

and make Due return of your proceedings as you will answer your Defalt at the peril of law in that case made and provided

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant town clerke

By vertue of the within written notification I have notifyd the inhabitants of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned

Elijah gore Constable

meeting

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on wednesday y^e 17th of may 1749

1) voted Deacon Edmunds moderater for sd meeting

2) voted not to send a Deputy to the general court this year

3) voted 100-0-0 old tenor for the mending our highways this year with whats behind

4) voted labour this summer at twenty shillings old tenor a day and in Sep^r and october at fifteen shillings a day and after that at twelve

5) voted to have a school Dame or Dames for the summer season

6) voted and chose Cap^t Corbin to reaire the outsid of meeting house as to the claboards shingles and glass

7) voted 60-0-0 pounds old tenor for schooling

8) voted 2-10-0 old tenor a year for taking care of our meeting house & sweeping

Dudley August y^e 21^t 1749

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of Dudley Richard kidder or Elijah gore greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on tusday y^e 29th of August instent at one a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

- 1) to se if the town will state the rev^d m^r gleasons salery by the nesiserys of life
 - 2) to chuse a committee to treat with the rev^d m^r gleason concerning his salery
 - 3) to chuse a person to be a grave Diger in sd town
 - 4) to chuse a surveyer or two for highways
 - 5) to chuse a committee to provide schooling for the insuing year
 - 6) to grant money to Defraye charge of schooling and also sume money to pay for ye repairing of our meeting house and likwis sum more money for the committee that was to gite the galery stairs and front work of our galery done
 - 7) to chuse a pound keeper
- and make Due return of your proceeding as you will answer your Defa't at the peril of the Law

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerk

By vertue of this warrant I have notifyd the inhabitants of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned

Elijah gore Constable

this meeting is adjurnd by the moderater to thirsday next at four a clock after noone to receive the Committees return from y^e rev^d m^r gleason

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on tusday y^e 29th of August 1749

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- 1) voted Esq^r Vinton moderater for sd meeting
- 2) voted to chuse a committee to treat with y^e rev^d m^r gleason concerning his salery
- 3) voted Esq^r Vinton Cap^t Corbin and Left^t Newell for a committee to treat with y^e reverend m^r gleason concerning his salery and to make there return at the adjurnment of this meeting
- 4) voted m^r John Burnul grave digger for y^e midle part of the town
- 5) voted Lef^t Healy a surveyer of highways for y^e midle of y^e town
- 6) voted Cornit Bacon m^r Joseph Sabin and m^r Jacob Bradbery for a committee to provid schooling y^e year insuing
- 7) voted So-o-o old tenor to Defray y^e charge of schooling y^e year insuing
- 8) voted 30-o-o old tenor to pay Cap^t Corbin for repair of our meeting house and for our committee that was to gite our galery stairs and front worke of our galery done
- 9) voted m^r John Burnul pound keeper
- 10) voted four hundred pounds old tenor for the rev^d m^r gleasons salery for the insuing year at the adjurnment of y^e meeting above sd

Dudley november 1749

Constable Elijah gores list to the province is 67-18-7 and his list to the minester 56-7-2 and his list to the school 24-10-11

Constable richard kidders list to the province 67-4-0 and his list to the minester 47-3-0 and his list to the school 22-14-11

these list new tenor these list delivered to these sd constables with warrants for colecting the same in november 1749

Dudley February y^e 20th 1749-50

warrant

Worcester ss to either of the constables Elijah gore or

Richard Kidder greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on monday the fifth day of march next at ten a clock in the fore noon then and there to act upon the following articles

- 1) to chus town officers for the year insuing
- 2) to se if the to will except of the several highways which are to be laid before them on sd day and make Due return of your proceedings as you will answer your Default at the peril of the Law

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerk

By vertue of the within written notifiycation I have notifiyd the inhabitants of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned

Elijah gore Constable

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e 5th Day of march 1749-50

aneual meeting

- 1) voted Cap^t Cheney moderater for sd meeting
- 2) voted to have five select men for the year insuing
- 3) voted Benjaⁿ Conant select man
- 4) voted Deacon Newell select man
- 5) voted Cap^t Corbin select man
- 6) voted John Brackit select man
- 7) voted Lef^t Healy select man
- 8) voted the select men to be assessers
- 9) voted Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerk
- 10) voted Joseph putney town treasurer
- 11) voted Elisha Corbin constable for the east end of y^e town
- 12) voted Elijah Dodge constable for the west end of y^e town

- 13) voted Joseph upham and phinehas mixer tything men
 14) voted John Curtis and Nathaniel jewell surveyers of highways
 15) voted philip Corbin and Silas robinson surveyers of highways
 16) voted that swine shall go at large
 17) voted Benjaⁿ Edmunds and will^m wakfeild hogereavs
 18) voted Benjaⁿ Davis and Jacob Chamberline fence vewers
 19) voted by the town there exceptence of the highway laid out by the select men of sd town from the coloney line by Cap^t Browns and Benjaⁿ putneys and by Silas robinsons to m^r george Robinsons mills
 20) voted by the town there non exceptence of a Bridle road through philip amidowns and timothy fosters land for y^e present
 21) voted by the town there non exceptence of a highway laid out from Cap^t Chenys land to Joseph Vintons house for y^e present
 the severall officers above named have taken there oaths as the Law directs

Dudley February y^e 19th 1749-50

a highway Laid out by select men of sd town of Dudley beginning at the Colleny Line by the house of Cap^t Browns and runing as the road is now fencet by the house of Benjaⁿ putney and so by the house of Thomus Halls between his house and sd putneys land and then as the road is now trode west by where the house of John tompson stood and as the road is now trod to Silas robinsons on the west side his old feild fence as he hath begune to build a stone wall and as the road is now trod between m^r george robinsons old house and barn and as the road is now trod strate down to sd robinsons mills sd road to be two rods wide

this highway was brought to our aneual in march 1749-50 and excepted by the town

Dudley may y^e 10th 1750

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of
Dudley Elijah Dodge or Elisha Corbin greeting you are
hearby requird forthwithe to warn or notefy the several inhabi-
tants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to
meet at our meeting house in sd town on monday the twenty
first day of may instent at two a clock after noone then and
there to act upon the following articles

- 1) to chuse a person to represent our town at the great and
general to be held in Boston y^e year insuing
- 2) to agree on sume method for the mending of our high-
ways and grant mony to Defray y^e charge thereof
- 3) to grant money to pay for the pound and stocks and
also to pay the assessors for there last years service
and make due return of your proceedings as you will answer
your Defalt at the peril of the law

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerk

By vertue of the within written notyfication I have notyfied
the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley to meet at time
and place within mentioned

Elijah Dodge Constable



at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regu-
larly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday
y^e 21^t day of may 1750

- 1) voted not to send a representative to y^e general Court
- 2) voted Cap^t Corbin moderater for sd meeting
- 3) voted to mend our highways in y^e method we have done
of late
- 4) voted labour at our highways at three shillings lawfull
money a Day for the three sumer months and for Sep^t and
october at two shillings a Day in y^e same money *
- 5) voted twenty five pound lawfull money for the mending
our highways the year insuing

6) voted three pound lawfull money for rectifying the pound and making the stocks

Dudley october y^e 15th 1750

warrant

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of Dudley Elijah Dodge or Elisha Corbin greeting you are hearby required forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifid to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on tusday y^e 30th day of this instent at one a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

1) to chuse a committee to treat with the rev^d m^r gleason concerning his salery and fire wood

2) to see if the town will hire schooling and grant money to Defray the charge thereof and likewise to chuse a committee to provide schooling

3) to se if the town agree to Build the seats in y^e gallerys of our meeting house if so to grant money to Defray the charge thereof and also to chuse a committee to provid stuff and se the work done

and make due return of your proceedings as you will answer your Defalt at the peril of the Law

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerk

By vertue of the within written I have notifyd the inhabitants of the town of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned

Elijah Dodge Constable

town meeting at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on tusday y^e 30th day of october 1750

1) voted Deacon Edmunds moderater for sd meeting

2) voted and chose m^r Joshua Healy m^r John Brackit and m^r Jacob Bradbery a committee to treat with rev^d m^r gleason concern his salery and fire wood

this meeting is adjuorned to monday next at three a clock after noone

1) voted at the adjuornment by the town to chuse a committee to settle with the rev^d m^r gleason concerning his salery from his first setleing with us to now

2) voted Cap^t Newell Deacon Newell and m^r Joseph upham for the above sd committee

3) voted to have schooling the year insuing

4) voted 13-6-8 lawfull money for schooling the year insuing

5) voted m^r Joshua Healy m^r John Curtis and m^r Jacob Bradbery for committee to provid schooling the year insuing

Dudley December y^e 18th 1750

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of Dudey Elijah Dodge or Elishau Corbin greeing you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifid to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on tusday y^e 25th of December instent at one a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

warrant

1) for the town to receive the committees report from y^e rev^d m^r gleason concerning his salery and if they agree well and if not then

2) to se if the town will state the rev^d m^r gleasons salery by the nesseserys of Life and if need be to chuse a committee to settle the affaïre with the sd m^r gleason

3) to grant m^r gleason his fire and whate a cord

4) to se if the town will allow Constable Elishua Corbin his charge for transporting a poor traviler from town to town

5) to se if the town will allow the path as it is now trod from the house of philip amidowns acrose the french river to

Dudley Town Records, 1750.

the house of timothy fosters to be mended by the surveyer as highway work so as to be comfortable pasing with horse

and make Due return of your proceedings as you will answer your Defalt at the peril of y^e law

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerk

I have warnd y^e inhabitants of the town of Dudley according to the within written

Elijah Dodge Constable

meeting

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on tusday y^e 25th of December 1750

1) voted Esq^r Vinton moderater for sd meeting

2) voted by the town there non acceptance of the committees report from y^e rev^d m^r gleason concerning his salery

mr gleasons
grant

3) voted to the rev^d m^r gleason 30 cords of wood fit for his fire brought to his house at five shillings and four pence a cord in lawfull money

4) voted thirteen shillings and four pence to constable Elishua Corbin in lawfull money for his charge in transporting a traviler from town to town

5) voted that a few of the neighbours over the french river shall be allowed so much of there highway work as is nessisery to make convinent pasing for hors or man where the path now is from philip amidowns to timothy fosters

December 1750 the school rates made and deliverd into the constables hands with warrants for colecting the same and in constable Elijah Dodges list to the school sume total 10-17-10 and constable Elishua Corbins list for y^e school rates sume total 9-7-8 lawfull money

in which list were put in the county rats and for the pound

and stocks and for Elishua Corbin for his transporting a traviler

Dudley january ye 28th 1740-51

warrant

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of Dudley Elijah Dodge or Elisha Corbin greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on monday ye 11th Day of february next at twelve a clocke then and there to act upon the following articles

- 1) to se if the town will alter the standerd of the rev^d m^r gleasons salery and state it upon the necesarys of life
 - 2) to grant the sd m^r gleasons salery for the present year
 - 3) to se how much the town will grant to make up the Deficiency of his salery in years paste
 - 4) to se if the town will allow the widow polley what her husband left on booke against the town for serveing as assesser
 - 5) to se if the town will abate m^r Bastow his rates assesst upon him in constable Brackits list
- and make due return of your proceedings as you will answer your Defalt at the peril of the Law

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

By vertue of the within written I have notifyd the inhabitants of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned
Elishua Corbin Constable

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly asembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday ye 11th day of february 1750 51

meeting

- 1) voted Deacon Newell moderater for sd meeting

2) voted 44-8-0 Lawfull money for the rev^d m^r gleasons salery for the present year

mr gleasons
grant

3) voted 44-8-0 Lawfull money to make up the Deficiency of the sd m^r gleasons salery in years past

4) voted not to allow the widow polleys account nor to abate m^r Bastows rats

Dudley february y^e 22^d 1750-51

warrant

Worcester ss to eithere of the constables of the town of Dudley Elijah Dodge or Elishua Corbin greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on the first monday in march next at nine a clock in the morning then and there to act upon the following articles

1) to chuse town officers for y^e year insuing as the law directs

2) to se if the town will establish the several highways laid out by the select men of sd town which are then to be laid before them

and make due return of your proceedings as you will answer your Defalt at the peril of the law in the case maid and provided

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

By vertue of this notyfication I have notyfyd the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned

Elisha Corbin Constable

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meeting

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e 4th day of march 1751

1) voted Esq^r Vinton moderater for sd meeting

- 2) voted to have five select men
- 3) voted Benjaⁿ Conant select man
- 4) voted Deacon Newell select man
- 5) voted Esq^r Vinton select man
- 6) voted Leftenant Healy select man
- 7) voted John Brackit select man
- 8) voted the select men to be assessers
- 9) voted Benjaⁿ Conant town clerke
- 10) voted Joseph Upham town treasurer
- 11) voted Silas robinson constable for y^e east end of y^e town
- 12) voted Joseph Vinton constable for y^e west end of the town
- 13) voted John Burnul and Joshua weatherel surveyers of highway
- 14) voted Joshua Vinton and Joshua healy jun^r surveyers of highways
- 15) voted Sam^l Corbin and Eben^r trusdil tything men
- 16) voted Let^t Healy sealer of waits and measurs
- 17) voted Elijah Dodge and Eben^r Davison fence vewers
- 18) voted Jedediah marcy and will^m Cartur hogreivs
- 19) voted that swine shall go at large
- 20) voted by the town there axceptance of a highway laid out by the select men of sd town west from Esq^r Vintons house over the river through Joseph Vintons land to the road that coms through Cap^t Cheenys farm
- 21) voted by the town there axceptance of a highway laid out by the select men of sd town from Elijah Dodgs house to the town road that coms from Jacob Chamberlins to John Curtises
- 22) voted by the town there axceptance of a highway laid out by the select men of sd town from the colony line runing about north between paul robinsons and John Brackits land and through frances Curtiss land east of his house and through Jacob Bradberys land and through Stephn Chapmens land and through John Curtises land in or near where y^e path is now trod to the road that coms from the meeting house to m^r george robinsons

the several officers chosen at this meeting have taken there oaths to there several offices as the law directs except some of y^e lesser officers Declind taking y^e preveus oath

Dudley August y^e 17th 1750 a highway laid out by the select men of Dudley begining at or near a little Bridge about fifty rods east of the great Bridg that is over the french river on the town roade from thence about south to John Curtises feild east of sd feild where or near the path thats now trode thence to a certain whit oake tree near the line Between Jacob Bradburys and Stephen Chapmuns land from thence to the northeast corner of sd Bradburys feild from thence to frances Curtises laine and through sd lain east of his house from thence to paul Robinsons north west corner thence to John Brackits north east corner in or near the path thats now trode from thence Between sd robinson and sd Brackit on the Devision line and so to the colonny line this roade to be two rod wide and were it gos between two persons a rod out of each mans land

Dudley December 17th 1750

a highway laid out by the select men of sd town begining at m^r John Vintons house from thence to quineboge river about two rods above the old board way and so over the river to a white oak tree stand on the bank of the river from thence about west to the ridge of upland Between the intervail and upland from thence straight a crose Joseph Vintons improved land to the south end of a cartain peace of ston wall of Joseph Vintons that stands By the roade thats now occupid from Cap^t Cheenys cammile farm to Joseph Vintons house and from the south end of sd stonwall to the south end of the town roade thats already establisht through y^e sd cammil farne

Dudley December 1750 a highway laide out by the select men of sd town begining at the north end of a ston wall a little distance from Elijah Dodges house about south east from sd Dodgs house from the end of sd wall upon the Devision line Between Elijah Dodge and Nathan Dennises farm laitly

purchase of Collonel Chandler or formerly richs farm to the town road near the south end of the great medow this road is two rods wide and all upon the west side of sd line mostly out of Dodgs land the rest is out of a little wedge of land and a cros the end of it y^t belongs to the ayrs of the great lot and if any charge arise from the same it is to be understood that Elijah Dodge is to pay the same

note that the three road hear enterd was brought to our annual meeting in march y^e 4th 1750-51 and accepted by the town

Dudley march y^e 25th 1751

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of Dudley Joseph Vinton or Silas robinson greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on monday the 8th day of April next at one a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

warrant

1) to se if the town will accept of the proposals which the rev^d m^r gleason made the town at our last anneule meeting with respect to his salery or

2) to se if the town will grant y^e rev^d m^r gleason 41-13-4 lawfull money for his salery for the present year and 23-6-8 lawfull money for arerages

3) to se if the town will agree on sume method for y^e mending of our highways

4) to chuse pound keeper also a person to dige graves

5) to grant money to defray the charge of schooling

6) to reckon with the meeting house committee

7) to se if town will chuse a committee to vewe a peace of country land between our town and Duglis in order to petion for a school farm

and Due return of proceedings as you will answer your Defalt at the peril of the law

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerk

Dudley Town Records, 1751.

By vertue of the within written notification I have notifiyd
the inhabitants of Dudley to meet at time and place within
mentioned

Joseph Vinton Constable

- meeting : at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regu-
larly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday
y^e 8th day of April 1751
- mr gleasons 1) voted Deacon Newell moderater for sd meeting
grant 2) voted for the rev^d m^r gleasons salery for the present year
25-13-4 in lawfull money and 15-0-0 lawfull money to y^e rev^d
m^r gleason for y^e Deficiency of the same
- 3) voted 23-6-8 lawfull money to y^e rev^d m^r gleason for
the Deficiency of his salery in years past
- 4) voted 60-0-0 lawfull money for y^e mending of our
highways
- 5) voted labour at our highways from April to the last of
Augst next at 0-2-6 a day and after that at 0-1-6 a day in
lawfull money
- 6) voted will^m Cartur pound keeper and John pettis to dig
gravs
- 7) voted 13-6-8 money to Defray the charge of schooling
- 8) voted Esq^r Vinton lef^t Healy and m^r paul robinson for
a committee to vewe a peace of country land between our town
and Duglis and make report to the town at our meeting in may
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Dudley may y^e 10th 1751

warrant Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of
Dudley Joseph Vinton or Silas Robinson greeting you are
herby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabi-
tants of the town of Dudley qualifiyd to vote in town affairs to
meet at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e 20th day of

this instent at four a clock after noon then and there to act upon the following articles

1) to chuse a meet person to represent our town at the great and general court the year insuing to be held in Boston which begins the last wedensday of this instent

2) to receive the committees report concerning the land Between our town and Duglis which they have vewed

and make Due return of your proceedings as you will answer your Defalt at the peril of the law

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerk

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regu-
lerly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday town meeting
y^e 20th day of may 1751

1) voted Esq^f Vinton moderater for sd meeting

2) voted not to send a Deputy to the general court

this meeting is adjurnd to monday y^e 27th of may instent at four a clock after noone to conclud on sumthing about the land our committee vewed between our town and Duglis and nothing done because people Declind there atendence at the meeting

the minesters and school rates maide in june 1751

the minesters rate for the west end of the town to constable Joseph Vinton is 36-19-2 lawfull money and his school rate is 7-6-5 lawfull money

constable Silas robinsons minesters rate for the east end of the town is 29-3-9 lawfull money and his school rate is 6-11-2 lawfull money

and these lists with warrants for colecting the same where maid in june 1751 and deliverd into y^e Constables hands

note these minesters rates above mentioned is his salery from

october 1750 to october 1751 with the old arereges allowd him

these are to certify the people in there town meeting this day that if they will give me 53-6-8 lawfull money salery this year and so much the next year I will sign the town Book as I offord in the paper that was read at your last annual meeting But if the people chuse to pay all the arrearegse this year I now Declare that if the people will vote 41-13-4 lawfull money for my salery this year which is 312-10-0 old tenor and will vote me 23-6-8 lawfull money which is 175-0-0 old tenor for y^e Deficiency of my salery in years past I will signe the town Book as I promisd to do in y^e paper that was read at the annual meeting what I now ask and offer freely to take up with for arreareges y^s thirty pound old tenor lese then Cap^t Newell owns I ought to have by a list of the price of silver in his hands and according to his own way of reckening

Dudley April y^e 8th 1751

Charls gleason

Dudley November y^e 21 1751

warrant

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of Dudley Joseph Vinton or Silas robinson greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting honse in sd town on monday the second day of December next at one a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

1) to grant the rev^d m^r gleason his fire wood for the year insuing and the number of cords and the price and set a time when it shall be brought to his house

2) to chuse a school committee for the year insuing and to grant more school money if it is needed

3) to call the meeting house committee to an account how they have expended the towns money

4) to se if the town will impower sune person or persons to procure that track of country land Between our town and Duglis for the towns use which committee vewed sune time past

and make due return of your proceedings as you will answer your default at the peril of the Law

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

By vertue of y^e within written notefication I have notfyd the inhabitants of the town of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned

Joseph Vinton Constable

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday the second day of December 1751

meeting

1) voted m^r John Vinton moderater for sd meeting

2) voted to the rev^d m^r gleason thirty cords of wood for his fire cut and brought to his house by the last of january next or else to pay the money

mr gleasons grant

3) voted sd fire wood at 0-5-4 a cord in lawfull money

4) voted m^r John Burnul m^r Elishua Sabin and m^r Jacob Bradbery for a committee to provid schooling for the year insuing

5) voted to chuse a committee to procure a tracke of country land Between our town and Duglis for the use of the town

6) voted m^r John Lillie m^r Joseph Upham and m^r paul robinson for a committee to address the great and general court in order to procure that tracke of country land Between our town and Duglis for the use and benifit of our town

Dudley Town Records, 1751-52.

October 1751 the province and county rates made the province list sume total for y^e 31-3-10 lawfull money the province list for east end of y^e town 26-0-6 lawfull money the county list for y^e west end sume total 1-4-6 lawfull money the county list for y^e east end sume total 0-19-8 lawfull money

these above sd lists all deliverd into constable Joseph Vintons hands

Dudley February y^e 18th 1752

warrant

Worcester ss to constable Joseph Vinton of the town of Dudley greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifid to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e second day of march next at nine a clock in the morning then and there to act upon the following articles

1) to chuse town officers for the year insuing as the law Dirrects

2) to chuse a committee to reckon with the trausures namly m^r Benjaⁿ Newell m^r Joseph putney and m^r Joseph upham and also to reckon with the meeting house committee and to lay the accouns Before the town at our next town meeting

3) to se if the town will axcept such highways as may then be laid before the town

and make due return of your proceedings as you will answer your default at the peril of the Law in that case made and provided

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerk

I have warnd or notifid the inhabitants of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned

Joseph Vinton constable

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regu- town meeting
lerly assembl'd at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e
2d day of march 1752

- 1) voted m^r John Vinton moderater for sd meeting
 - 2) voted Benjaⁿ Conant town clerke
 - 3) voted to have five select men
 - 4) voted Benjaⁿ Conant select man
 - 5) voted m^r John Vinton select man
 - 6) voted m^r John Lillie select man
 - 7) voted m^r John Brackit select man
 - 8) voted m^r Joseph upham select man
 - 9) voted the select men to be assessers
 - 10) voted m^r Joseph upham town treasurer
 - 11) voted m^r Joseph putney constable for the west end
 - 12) voted m^r Daniel harris constable for the east end
 - 13) voted Cap^t Edmunds and nathan Dennis surveyers of highways
 - 14) voted Benjaⁿ Dennis and Sam^l Robinson surveyers of highways
 - 15) voted Eben^r trusdil sealer of leather
 - 16) voted John Curtis and Ezra Conant tything men
 - 17) voted m^r Joshua Healy sealer of waits and measures
 - 18) voted Daniel Smith and Eben^r Davison fence vewers
 - 19) voted Alexander tompson and Joseph Edmunds jun^r hogreivs
 - 20) voted that swine shall go at large
 - 21) voted Deacon Newell Cornit Bacon and m^r Sam^l may for a committee to reckon and settle accompts with our treasurers namely m^r Benjaⁿ Newell m^r Joseph putney and m^r Joseph upham and also with our meeting house committee and to lay the accounts before the town at our next town meeting
- this meeting is adjurd to monday next at three a clock after noone if need be
- 1) voted and reconsiderd ye vote of m^r harrises being constable and dismiss him for the present year
 - 2) voted phinehus mixer constable for the east end in y^e roome of harris

Dudley Town Records, 1752.

3) voted Ezra Conant surveyer of highways in the roome of Sam^l robinson

y^e several officers before mentioned have taken there oaths to there several offices as the law directs except Ezra Conant with some of the lesser officers Declind taking y^e preveus oath

April y^e 21^t 1752 we the subscribers being a committee appointed by the select men of Oxford and a committee appointed by the select men of Dudley mett and preambelated the line and renewed the bounds between the townships of Oxford and Dudley pursuant to the trust reposed in us in wittness whereof we have hearunto set our hands the day and year above mentioned

Sam^l Davis } Committee
John Willson } for Oxford

John Lillie } Committee
John Vinton } for Dudley

warrant Dudley may the 6th 1752
Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of Dudley Joseph putney or phinchus mixer greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on wensday the twentieth day of may instent at one a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

1) to chuse a person to represent our town at the great and general court for the year insuing to be convend and held for his majestys servis at the court house in Concord

2) to agree on sune method for the mending of our highway

3) to receive the committees report and to grant money to make up what is fell througe if it be needed

4) to se if the town will grant money to Defray the charge of schooling

5) to se if the town will agree to build the galler seats and if so then to chuse to procur stuff and se the work done and also grant money to defray the charge thereof

6) to grant money to carry our pition at the general court and make due return of your proceedings as you will answer your default at the peril of the law

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

Dudley may the 20th 1752 I have notiyd the inhabetants of Dudley to meet at time and place within mention

John Cortis Constable

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on wensday y^e 20th day of may 1752

1) voted not to send a representative

2) voted Cap^t Newell moderater for sd meeting voted John Brackit clerke for sd meeting

3) voted 13-6-8 lawfull money for the mending of our highways besids whats not workt out last year and to expend sd money in the method we did last year

4) voted there axceptance of the committees account

5) voted 20-0-0 lawfull money to defray y^e charge of schooling y^e year insuing

6) voted to build the galler seats

7) voted 13-6-8 lawfull money to defray y^e charg of building sd seats

8) voted m^r Joshua healy Deacon Newell and m^r Eben^r Bacon to be a committee to provid y^e stuffe and git the above sd seats built

9) voted 4-0-0 lawfull money to carry our pition at the general court

Dudley November ye 3^d 1752

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of
 warnt Dudley Joseph putney or phinehus mixer greeting you are
 hearby requird forthwith to warn or notefy the several inhabi-
 tants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to
 meet at our meeting house in sd town on thursday y^e 9th day of
 this instent at four a clock after noone after lectur then and
 there to act upon the following articles

1) to agree on sume method to provid the rev^d m^r gleason
 his fire wood y^e year insuing and to set a price ther

2) to se if town will allow m^r gore m^r Hobbs rates in his
 list when he was constable which he says he cant procur

3) to se if the town will continue of school committee in
 there office till march next

and make due return of your proceedings as you will answer
 your defalt at the peril of the Law

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerk

Dudley November y^e 9th 1752 I have warnd the inhabi-
 tants of this town qualifyd for voting to meet at time and place
 within mentioned

phinehas mixer Constable

town meeting at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regu-
 larly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on thursday
 y^e 9th of November 1752

1) voted Deacon Edmunds moderater for sd meeting

mr gleasons
 grant 2) voted 30 cords of fire wood for the rev^d m^r gleason for
 the year insuing

3) voted sd fire wood at 0-5-4 a cord in lawfull money

and to be deliverd at the sd m^r gleasons house by the last of janauary next or to pay the money

4) voted to continue our school committee in there office till march next

Dudley November y^e 10th 1752

Worcester ss to either of the Constables of the town of Dudley Joseph putney or phinehas mixer greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on monday the 20th of this instent at 3 a clocke after noone then and there to act upon whate follows

warn

for the town to consider the matter of m^r morrises suing our meeting house committee and to grant money to pay the dept and charges if need be

and make due return of you proceedings as you will answer your Defalt at the peril of y^e law

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

November y^e 20th 1752 I have warn the inhabitants of this town qualifd for voting to meet at time and place within mentioned

phinehas mixer Constable

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meetinge in sd town on monday y^e 20th day of Novemer 1752

meeting

1) voted John Vinton moderater for sd meeting

this meeting is adjournd to friday next at three a clocke after noone by the moderater

2) voted 8-5-4 lawfull money at this adjournment to pay

the dept and charges of m^r morrises suing our meeting house committee

Dudley june 1752

the town rates made and deliverd into the Constables hands with warnts for colecting the same

Constable putneys list for the minester	24-19-6
his school list	12-12-7
his meeting house list	8- 4-9
and his town list	2- 9-0
Constable mixers list for the minester	18- 4-3
his school list	10- 8-8
his meeting house list	6- 0-2
and his town list	2- 2-0

Dudley November 1752

the province rates made and deliverd into the Constables hands

Constable putneys province list	24-16-0
and his town rate list	6- 6-1
and his wood list	4- 8-8
Constable mixers province list	23- 8-7
his town list	5- 1-6
and his wood list	3-11-6

Dudley february y^e 19th 1753

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of Dudley Joseph putney or phinehus mixer greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e 5th day of

march next insueing at nine a clock in the morning then
and there to act upon y^e folling articles

1) to chuse town officers for the year insuing as the law
directs

2) to se if the town will accept of the roads laid out by y^e
select men

3) to se if the town will raise money to defray the charge
of schooling for the year insuing and if so then to chuse a
committee to provid schooling

4) to se what method the town will go in for the mending
our highways the year insuing and also if need be to grant
money to defray the charge thereof

5) to se if the town will allow m^r John Lillie richard
kidder Joseph upham Benjaⁿ Dennis and Eben^r Scott for time
to come to draw there own school money to keep a school
amonge themselves

6) to se if the town will abait m^r Eben^r Scotts rate to the
west end school house

and make due return of your proceedings as you will answer
your Defalt at the peril of the Law

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

Dudley march y^e 5th 1753 persuent to this warrent I have
warnd the inhabitants of this town to meet at time and place
within mentioned

phinehus mixer Constable

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regu-
lerly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e
y^e 5th day of march 1753

1) voted Deacon Newell moderater for sd meeting

2) voted to have five select men

3) voted m^r John Lillie select man

4) voted m^r Joseph Sabin select man

5) voted m^r Eben^r Bacon select man

6) voted m^r Jacob Bradbery select man

- 7) voted m^r John Brackit select man
 - 8) voted the select men to be assessers
 - 9) voted Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke
 - 10) voted m^r Joseph upham Town treasurer
 - 11) voted m^r John tayler constable for the west end of the town
 - 12) voted m^r Benjaⁿ Dennis Constable for the east end of the town
 - 13) voted m^r Elijah Dodge and David Cuttin tything men
 - 14) voted m^r Joseph Vinton and Jonathan Dennis surveyers of highways
 - 15) voted m^r paul robinson and Elishua Corbin surveyers of highways
 - 16) voted m^r John Curtis and Sam^{ll} Corbin fence vewers
 - 17) voted m^r Joshua Healy sealer of waits and measurs
 - 18) voted m^r Eben^r trusdil sealer of leather
 - 19) voted to have swine go at large
 - 20) voted Andrew white and Edmun town hoge reaves
 - 21) voted by the town there axceptance of a highway laid out from the county road by Andrew whits and Sam^{ll} Corbins down to the road that coms from Sam^{ll} robinsons to our meeting house
 - 22) voted by the town there axceptance of a highway laid out through the indian land from there south line in or near where the path is now trod from m^r hebberds to our meeting house
 - 23) voted 20-0-0 lawfull money to defray y^e charge of schooling this year
 - 24) voted Sam^{ll} Chamberline Sam^{ll} Corbin and paul robinson for a committee to provid schooling the year insuinge
 - 25) voted 40-0-0 lawfull money for the mending our highways and to be expended as follows at 0-2-6 a day in the spring and summer months and 0-1-6 a day in the fall
- the several officers above named have taken there oaths to there several offices as the law directs axcept sume òf the lesser officers declind taking the preveus oath
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Dudley june y^e 8th 1752 a highway laid out by the select men begining at the county Road at a gray oake stadle with a heap of stons about it on the south sid of the county road then runing near southeest to a white oake stadle with a heap of stons about it and so along near as the road is now trod down through Carturs land and through whits land near the west end of his house then near south then near south along by the west end of his barn and through whits and Corbins land by the west end of Sam^l Corbins house and from his house through his land by the east sid his barn to Benjaⁿ Davises land and through Davises land near south as y^e road is now trod to a white oake tree markt and from thenc to a stake and heap of stons standing on the north sid of the road which comes from m^r robinsons mills to our meeting house and the whole of the road to be two rods wide

John Lillie }
 John Brackit } Select men
 Joseph upham }

Dudley june y^e 8th 1752 a highway laid out by the select men Begining at the indian south line at the road that coms from thimothy fosters at a chasnut stadle with a heap of stons about it and so runing as the road is now trod to a walnut tree with a heap of stons about it and from thence as the road now is to a black oak tree with stons about it near the road that coms from Benjaⁿ Coburns all the above mentioned marks are on the north sid the sd road the sd road to be the same wedth with the other formerly laid out

John Lillie }
 John Brackit } Select men
 Joseph upham }

these roads where laid before the town at our aneual meeting in march 1753 and axcepted by the town

Dudley Sep^t y^e 26th 1753

Worcester ss to the constable or constables of the town of warrent

Dudley Town Records, 1753.

Dudley Benjaⁿ Dennis or John tayler greeting you hearby requird to warn or notify the freeholders and other inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifd to vote in town affares to meet at our meeting house in sd Dudley on monday the 8th of october next at two a clocke after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

1) to se what method the town will go in to provide the rev^d m^r gleasons fire wood the year insuing

2) to se if the town will omitt sending a pettion to the court for a school lot and convert the money that was raisd to Defray the charge therof to sume other use

3) to se if town will chuse sume person to sweep and take care of our meeting house and also to grant money to defray the charge thereof

4) to se if the town will grant sume money for the support of the widow rich

and make due return of the warrent with your doings therin as you will answer your Defalt at the peril of ye law

By order of

John Lillie	}	Select men
Jacob Bradbery		
John Brackit		

meeting at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly asembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e 8th of october 1753

1) voted m^r Eben^r Bacon moderater for sd meeting

2) voted to the rev^d m^r gleason thirty cords of wood for his fire the year insuing cut and carted to his house by the first of february next at five shillings and four pence a cord in lawfull money

3) voted to omitte sending in our pettion for the school land and to improve y^e four pounds of money granted fore that end to sume other use

- 4) voted m^r will^m Cartur to take care of our meeting house and to sweep it when it needs
- 5) voted 0-10-8 lawfull money to Cartur for sweeping and taking care of our meeting house y^e year insuing
- 6) voted 6-0-0 lawfull money for the support of the widow rich



Dudley march y^e 21^t 1753

rates made by the assessers the sum total of the minesters	
rate for the east end	19-18-3
the minester rate for the west end	24- 4-2
the school rate for the west end	11-11-4
the school rate for the east end	10-14-7



october 26 1753	Constable Dennises province list for the	
	east end of the town sume total	9-18-0
	his town list	3-17-6
	and one of his county lists	4- 4-9
	the other of his county lists	1- 5-8-3
october 26 1753	Constable John Taylers province list for	
	the west end of the town	11- 4- 7
	and his town list	4- 3-11
	and one of his county lists	4-12- 1
	the other of his county lists	1- 7- 7



Dudley February y^e 20^h 1754

Worcester ss to the constable or constables of the town of Dud'ley Benjaⁿ Dennis or John Tayler greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify y^e freeholders and other inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualifd to vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd Dudley on

warrant

Dudley Town Records, 1754.

monday y^e 4th day of march next insuing at nine a clock in y^e four noon then and there to act upon y^e following articles

1) to chuse town officers for the year insuing as y^e law directs

2) to chuse a school committee for the year insuing

3) to se whate method y^e town will go in for y^e mending of our highways the year insuing

4) to se if the town will axcept of the highways which may then be laid before them for there axceptance

and make due return of this warrant with your doings therein as you will answer your default at y^e peril of y^e law

By order of

Jacob Bradbery	}	Select men
Joseph Sabin		
Eben ^r Bacon		

By vertue of the within written warrant I have warnd or notifyd the freeholders and other inhabitants of the town of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned

Benjaⁿ Dennis Constable

our aneuel
meeting

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e 4th day of march 1754

- 1) voted Deacon Newell moderater for sd meetinge
- 2) voted to have five select men
- 3) voted Joseph Upham select man
- 4) voted phinehus mixer select man
- 5) voted John Curtis select man
- 6) voted Sam^l Corbin select man
- 7) voted jedediah marcy select man
- 8) voted the select men to be assessers
- 9) voted Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke
- 10) voted Joseph Upham Town treasurer
- 11) voted Eben^r grigs constable for y^e west end of y^e town
- 12) voted Andrew white constable for y^e east end of the town

- 13) voted Joseph Vinton and Timothy [] tything men
 - 14) voted Joshua Healy sealer of weights and measurs
 - 15) voted Eben^r trusdil sealer of leather
 - 16) voted philip Corbin Jacob bradbery Sam^{ll} may and Joseph Burnul surveyers of highways
 - 17) voted that swine shall go at large
 - 18) voted Eben^r robinson and Sam^{ll} Burnul hog reavese
 - 19) voted paul robinson and Jacob Chamberlin fence vewers
 - 20) voted paul robinson Joseph jewell jun^r and Eben^r Davison for a committee to provid schooling y^e year insuing
 - 21) voted 40-0-0 lawfull money to worke out on our highways
 - 22) voted worke at our highways at 0-2-6 a day for y^e spring & summer months and after that at 0-1-6 a day lawfull money
 - 23) voted by the town there axceptance of a highway laid out by the select men of sd town begining at oxford line in the old road from kingsberys to Nathan jeffèrds through Sam^{ll} robinsons land two rod wide
 - 24) voted by the town there axceptance of a highway laid out by the select men of sd town begining at the south end of Sam^{ll} mayses lain runing near south through Lef^t Joshua Healys land and through Cap^t Sam^{ll} Newells land and down to Deacon Newells two rod wide
- the officers before mentioned have taken there oaths to there several officeses
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Dudley march y^e 22^d 1753

a highway laid out by the select men of Dudley through m^r Sam^{ll} Robinsons land begining at a white oake tree near the southwest corner of m^r Josiah Kingsburys land ware oxford left there road then runing as the way is now trod to a white oake tree markt and so on to a blacke oak tree markt near the uper end of a swamp which is on the east of sd road and then on to a pine stadle markt which is near the line Between sd

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robinsons land and the land of m^r jefferds by the side of the road allready laid out sd road to be two rods wide and all on the east of sd marks

Jacob Bradbery	}	Select men
John Brackit		
John Lillie		

Dudley February y^e 20th 1754

a highway laid out by the select men of sd town Begining at a stake and heap of stons standing in the southeast corner of a lot of land that was John Dickermans runing near south through Joshua Healys land to Cap^t Sam^l Newells land to a stake and heap of stons and straight through sd Newells land to a little wallnut in sd Newells fence the sd road to be two rode wide and all the marks on the west side of sd road

John Lillie	}	Select men
Joseph Sabin		
Eben ^r Bacon		
Jacob Bradbury		
John Brackit		

These highways above mentioned were brought to our aneuel meeting in march 1754 and accepted by the town

TOWN RECORDS

OF

DUDLEY, MASSACHUSETTS,

1754-1794.

PAWTUCKET, R. I.
THE ADAM SUTCLIFFE CO.
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Dudley may y^e 3^d 1754

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of Dudley Andrew White or Eben^r grigs greeting you are hearby required forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on Tuesday y^e 14th of may instent at two a'clock in the after noone Then and there to act upon the following artiels

1) to chuse a representative to serve at the general court the year insuing

2) to se whate money the town will grant for the rev^d m^r gleasons sallery from october 1754 to march 1755

3) to see if the town will accept the committees accompt for finishing the meeting house gallerys

4) to see what the town will do concerning the road thats laid out through Cap^t Newells uper lot

5) to se if the town will grant money for schooling the year insuing

6) to se if the town will grant to the widow Newell two pounds old tenor for work done at our meetinge house

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7) to see if the town will chuse a committee to seat our meeting house

8) to see if the town will accept of treasurer upham account and if not to chuse a committee to settle with him

9) to see if the town will agree to have three school houses one near m^r [] one near Ezra Conants and near philip corbins

10) to see if the town will allow to m^r gore m^r Hobbes rats when sd gore was constable and make due return of your proceedings as you will answer your default at the peril of the law

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

By vertue of this notification I have notifyd the inhabitants of Dudley to meet at the time and place within mentioned
andrew White Constable

meeting

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house [] on tuesday y^e 14th day of may 1754

1) voted not to send a representative []

2) voted Deacon Newell moderater []

mr gleasons
grant

3) voted to rev^d m^r gleason fo[] last of October 175[] to the [] 410-15-4 of old tenor [] of march []

4) voted [] the []

5) voted []

6) voted to chuse a committee to settle with treasurer upham and to bring in there account at our next meeting

7) voted insign Chamberline m^r Samuel may and Ezra Conant a committee to settle with treasurer upham the ninth article dropt by a vote

Sutten July ye^e 6th 1754

These may certify the assessers or whomsoever it may concern that the Baptist Church in Sutten have taken the steps of the last adishenal act of the general court made for the acceptping of the people commonly called anobaptis and are capeble of giving certificets to all our members in naighbouring towns to clear them from paying any thinge to support ministers of another denomination and therefore do certify you that paul Robinson of Dudley belongs to our Church in Sutten and as usely atends our meetings on the Lords day for the worship of God as we cane expect considering the distance he lives from us and further we beleive him to be consenouse of the religon commonly called the anobaptis religon and therefore ins'ist upon it that he is clear from all ministeral charges of minesters of another denomination by the act made by y^e great and & general court of the masetusits Bay in New England for exempting commonly called anobaptis

Benjaⁿ marsh Elder
Joseph pullen
Jonathan gold

Dudley Sep^t ye^e 13th 1754

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of
Dudley Andrew white or Eben^r grigs greeting you are
hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on wedensday y^e 25th of this instent at two a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

warnt

- 1) to se whate money the town will grant to make up the deficiency of the town stock of amunition
- 2) to se whate money the town will grant to provid y^e rev^d m^r gleasons fire wood the year insuinge

November 1754 rates made and deliverd into the constables hands with warrants for colecting the same

Constable Andrew whites list for the province	15- 9- 6-3
and his list for the minesters rates	25-14- 8-3
and his list for the wood rate	3-13- 2
and his list for the town rate	10-14-10
and his list for the county rate	1-18- 6-3
Constable Eben ^r griggs list for the province rate	18-14- 9-3
and his list for the minesters rate	31- 2- 3-3
and his wood list for that rate	4- 8- 8
and his list for the town rate	13- 2-10
and his list for the county rate	2- 7- 0

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This may certify the assessers of the Town of Dudley []
 Cap^m Thomas Cheney of sd Dudley doth fre[] attend
 the publick worship of God on the Lo[] society at
 Sturbridge and we beleive him [] that perswasion
 Henry []

Sturbridg may y^e 6th []

Killingly october y^e 5th 1754 these lines are to notify the
 Honourable select men of Dudley that Silas Robinson frequent-
 ly attends our meeting and we beleive he conseinusly absented
 from you as witness our hands Atest

Jams Gleason

Jams Coats

Killingly october y^e 14th 1754 these lines are to notify
 the Honourable select men of Dudley that will^m wakfeild
 frequently attends our meeting and we beleive that he con-
 seienusly absented from you as witness our hands Atest

Jams gleason

Jams Coats

Killingly october y^e 14th 1754 these lines are to notify
 the Honourable select men of Dudley that Sam^l Robinson

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frequently attends our meeting and we beleive that he con-
seinusly absented from you as witness our hands

Jams gleason
Jams Coats

Dudley December y^e 23^d 1754

warrant Worcester ss to either of the Constables of the town of
Dudley Eben^r grigs or Andrew white greeting you are
hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabi-
tants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to
meet at our meeting house in sd town on tusday the seventh
day of janury next at one a clock after noone then and
there to act upon the following articles

1) to se if the town will send a man to worcester Court to
git of our fine for not having a school

2) to se if town will agree that ye constables shall strain
upon the separats in our town for the minesters rate and if
they do to se whate method the town will take to defend them

3) to se if the town will hear and exsept the committees
accmpt for finishing the back sid of the pulpit

4) to se if town will pay Doctor green six shillings and one
peny lawfull money for Doctering the widow rich

and make due return of your proceedings as you will answer
your defalt at the peril of the law

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

By vertue of this warrant I have notifyd the inhabitants of
Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned

Andrew white Constable

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regu-

lerly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on tusday y^e
7th day of January 1755

-] on Newell moderater for sd meeting
-] nd a man to worcester Court to git of our
-] a school if any should be laid upon us
-] answer the complaint at worcester
-] any should apear against us
-] strain on the person colld
-]sters rats
-] and a peny for

we the subscribers as a committee chosen to git the back
side of the pulpit finished we have agreed with m^r John tayler
to do the work and to find nails and brads and board himself
for two pounds lawfull money

phinehus mixer	}	Committee
John Curtis		

Worcester ss to Andrew white one of the constables of
the town of Dudley greeting you are hearby requird forth-
with to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of
Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting
house in sd town on monday the 3d day of march next at nine
a clock in the morning then and there to act upon the
folling articles

warrant

- 1) to chuse a moderater for sd meeting
- 2) to chuse town officers for the year insuing
- 3) to se if the town will reconsider there vote they past on
the seventh day of january last past (viz) that the constables
should not make distress upon the seperats
- 4) to se if the town will such grant or grants of money as
may be thought needfull for schooling of our children and
other nessesery chargs the currant year
- 5) to chuse a committee to provide schooling y^e present
year

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6) to se if the town will mend there highways by a rate or other ways if by a rate to grant money for the same

7) to se if the town will allow swine to rune at large

8) to se if the town will allow m^r Bacons accompt for keeping y^e widlow rich

9) to se if the town will build a school house in the senter of the middle part of the town

10) to se if the town will hear and axcept the committees report from treasurer upham

11) to se if the town axcept of a highway laid out for Elishua Corbin he being at all the cost and charge

and make due return of your proceedings as you will answer your defalt at the peril of the law

Joseph upham	}	Selectmen
phinehus mixer		
John Curtis		

february y^e 13th 1755

By vertue of the warrant I have warnd the inhabitants of the town of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned

Andrew white Constable

meeting at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley []

at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e 3^d []

- 1) voted Esq^r Vinton moderater for sd meeting
- 2) voted to have 5 select men five
- 3) voted Benjaⁿ Conant select man
- 4) voted Deacon Newell select man
- 5) voted Lef^t Healy select []
- 6) voted phinehus mixer s[]
- 7) voted John Brackit se[]
- 8) voted the select men to be assessers
- 9) voted Benjaⁿ Conant town clerke
- 10) voted m^r Jacob Chamberline town treasurer
- 11) voted m^r Sam^l may Constable for y^e west end
- 12) voted m^r Daniel Harris Constable for y^e east end

13) voted m^r Benjaⁿ Dennis and m^r Joseph burnul tything men

14) voted m^r Elishua Sabin and m^r Sam^l Chamberline surveyers of highways

15) voted m^r paul robinson and m^r David Coffin surveyers of highways

16) voted m^r philip amidown and Silas robinson fence vewers

17) voted Lef^t Healy sealer of waits and measuers

18) voted m^r Eben^r trusdile sealer of leather

19) voted that swine shall go at large

20) voted Clement Corbin jun^r and John webster Hogreaves

21) voted and reconsidered the vote that was past y^e 7th january last (viz) that the constables should not straine on the persons called seperats in the warrant for that meeting for there minesters rates

I paul robinson now enter my desent against this last vote concerning the seperats

22) voted 30-0-0 lawfull money 20-0-0 for schooling and ten for other nessesery charges

23) voted Elijah Dodge Lef^t Bradbery and Eben^r Davison for a committee to provide schooling the present year

24) voted 20-0-0 lawfull money for the mending our highways and worke frome may to the last of August at 0-2-6 a day and after that worke at 0-1-6 a day

25) voted there axceptence of the committees report from treasurer Upham

26) a vote being requested weather the town would axcept of Elishua Corbins highway and it past in the negative

the officers above have taken there oaths as the law directs

Dudley march y^e 3^d 1755

we the subscribers Jacob Chamberlien Sam^l may and Ezra Conant chosen a committee to examine the treasurers accompt we have made strict examination and report [] and

we find that treasurer upham has been faithfull []ing
 in his acounts to us and we find that the whole []at
 he hade ordere to colect of the several constables []
 chosen treasurer till this day and the []ceived of the
 former Constables namly []sume
 total of all we find to be [] find that
 has paid by order the [] remains in
 constable [] 44-04-4-3
 [] y^e
 sume of 36-09-6-3 and in Constable Joseph Vintons hands
 y^e sume of 1-2-7-1 and in Constable Benjaⁿ Dennises hands
 y^e sume of 0-18-6- and we have substracted the whole and he
 has paid out 3-10-8-3 more than he has received of the several
 constables Atested

Jacob Chamberlin }
 Sam^l may } Committee
 and Esra Conant }

warrant Dudley may y^e 13th 1755
 Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of
 Dudley Daniel Harris or Sam^l may greeting you are hear-
 by required forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants
 of the town of Dudley to meet at our meeting house in sd town
 on friday the 23^d of may instent at three a clocke after noone
 then and there to act upon the following articles

- 1) to chuse a meet person to serve representative at the
 great and general court the year insuing
- 2) to make y^e rev^d m^r gleason sume addition to his salery
 the present year considering the charge of his famely
- 3) to grant money for the widow richs soninlaw at Stur-
 bridg in case he will clear the town of her
- 4) to move the middle scho^ol house or repair it where it
 stands
- 5) to chuse a committee to manage that affair

6) to se if the town will allow m^r Sam^l Halls rates in constable mixers lists

7) to se if the town will grant sume money to be assest on the east school ward for building them a school house and make due return of your proseedng as you will answer your default at the peril of the law

By order of y^e select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

Dudley may y^e 23^d 1755 by vertue of this warrant I have warnd the inhabitants of the town of Dudley to meet according to time and place within mentioned

Daniel Harris Constable

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on friday y^e 23^d of may 1755 and a vote being requested wether the town would send a Daputy to the general court and it past in y^e negitive

meeting

1) voted Cap^l Newell moderater for sd meeting

2) a vote being requested wether they would make any addition to y^e rev^d m^r gleasons salery the present year and it past in^e the negitive

3) voted 13-6-8 lawfull money for the support of the widow rich her life time to her soninlaw at Sturbridg in case he will clear the town of Dudley from any further charge about her

4) voted 90-0-0 old tenor to be assest on the east school ward for build them a school house

Sep^t y^e 4th 1755

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of Dudley Daniel Harris or Sam^l may greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to meet at

warrant

our meeting house in sd town on tuesday y^e 16th day of Sep^r
instent at two a clock after noone then and there to act
upon the following articles

1) to se whate salery y^e town will give y^e rev^d m^r gleason
for y^e present year

2) to agree on some method to provide y^e rev^d m^r gleason
his fire wood

3) to se if the town will allow that hundred pound that
was voted for the support of the widow rich or any part of it
to defray nessesery chargs or grant other money for such uses

4) to se if town will reconsider the vote that was past not
to move nor mend our school house where it stands and to
move it down towards or to repair it where it now stands

5) make choice of some person to dige graves

6) to chuse a person to take care of our meeting house and
sweep it when it needed

and make due return of your proceedings as you will answer
your default at the peril of the law

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant town clerk

Dudley Sep^t y^e 15th By vertue of this warrant I have
warnd the inhabitants of the town to meet at time and place
within mention

Daniel Harris Constable

meeting at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regu-
larly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on tuesday y^e
16th of Sep^r 1755

1) voted Deacon Edmunds moderater for sd meeting

2) voted the rev^d m^r gleason the same salery he had the last
year

mr gleasons
grant

3) voted the rev^d m^r gleason 30 cords of cord wood brought
to his house by the third monday and tuesday of october next at
forty shillings a cord old tenor or to pay the money

4) voted six pound lawfull money out of that hundred

pound that was granted for the support of the widow rich to defray other nessesery charges

5) voted and reconsiderd that was past not to move nor mend our school house where it now stands

6) voted to repair our school house by the meeting house where it now stands

7) voted m^r will^m Cartur to dige graves

8) voted m^r will^m Cartur to take care of meeting house and sweep it

Sept y^e 16th 1755 this may cartify the assessers of the town of Dudley that Cap^t Thomas Cheney of sd Dudley doth frequently attend the publick worship of God on the Lords days at the Baptis society in Sturbridge and is a member in full comunion with the Baptis church in Sturbridge and we beleave him to be consienusly of that perswasion and we further certify that the Baptis Church in Sturbrig hath received the aprobation of three other Baptis Churches according to the late act of this province Jonathan perry Henry fisk Dan^l fiske chosen for this purpos

Cap^t Chenys
certific^t

November 1755 rates made and deliverd into the constables hands with warrants for collecting the same

and Constable mays list to the province rate 51-18-10- 2

and mays list for the minesters rate 28- 5-10

and mays list for the school rate 21- 1- 1

and mays list for the wood rate 4-10- 8

and Constable HARRISES list for the province rate 51- 7- 9

and HARRISES list for the minesters rate 19-14- 4

and HARRISES list for the school rate 16- 9- 5

and HARRISES list for the wood rate 3-12- 4- 1

Dudley janyuary y^e 22^d 1756

Worcester ss to either of the Constables of the town of Dudley Daniel Harris or Sam^l may greeting you are hearby

warrant

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requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on monday ye 2^d day of february next at one a clocke after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

1) to se if the town will Disannul the last vote concerning the Baptis paying there minesters rate

2) to see if the town will hear and allow the select mens accompt for repairing our meeting hous and grant money to pay y^e same and also for repairing our middle school house and vote money to be assest on the middle school ward to pay the same

3) to se if town will allow m^r Fairbanks to belong to y^e middle school

4) to se if the will grant money to pay Cap^t Newell for the road laid out through his upper pasture

and make due return of your doings as you will answer your default at the peril of the law

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

By vertue of this warant I have notifyd the inhabitants of the town of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned

Daniel Harris Constable

meeting

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e 2d day of February 1756

1) vote Deacon Newell moderater for sd meeting

2) voted and disannuld the last vote concerning y^e Baptis paying there minesters rates

3) voted 0-16-9 lawfull money for repairing our meeting house glase

4) voted 3-7-0 lawfull money to be assest on the middle school ward for repairing our middle school house

5) a vote being requested wether m^r Fairbanks should belong to the middle school and it past in y^e negative

February y^e 2^d 1756

gentlemen there is a sune of money due from the town of Dudley to me which sune you ought honesly to have payed long ago you well know that I never had one peney from you howèver Knowing the curcomstances of some and the Disposition of some others I hearby freely aquit and Discharge the account to this day but if you think it to mean to receive a gift in that case I Desire you to pay the sune due to me to m^r gleason madam gleason has been a long time in a poor state of helth and I hope you have a suteble sence of it I am gentlemen your most Humble and most obedient Servant
Thomas Cheney to the town of Dudley

Captt Cheney's
Discharge

Dudley February y^e 19th 1756

Worcester ss to either of the Constables of the town of Dudley Daniel Harris or Sam^l may greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e first day of march next at nine a clocke in the morning then and there to act upon the following articles

- 1) to chuse a moderater for sd meeting
- 2) to chuse town officers for y^e year insuing as y^e law directs
- 3) to grant such sune or sums of money as the town shall think needfull for schooling y^e year insuing and to chuse a committee to provide schooling
- 4) to grant such sune or sums of money as the town shall think needfull for mending our highways the year insuing and to agree on how much a day and when to worke

warrant

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- 5) to see if the town will allow swine to rane at large or not
- 6) to se if the town will chuse a committee to seat our meeting house and prescribe a method for them to walke by
- 7) to se if the town will accept of Cap^t Cheenys gift to the town and whate part they will give to y^e rev^d m^r gleason
and make due return of your proceedings as you will answer your default at the peril of the law

Jonathan Newell	}	Selectmen
Joshua Healy		
phinehus mixer		

Dudley march y^e 1^t 1756 in obedience to this warrant I
have notifyd the inhabitants of this town to meet at time and
place within mentioned

Sam^l may Constable

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regu-
larly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday
y^e 1^t day of march 1756

- 1) voted m^r Joseph upham moderater for sd meeting
- 2) voted Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke
- 3) voted to have five select men
- 4) voted Joseph upham select man
- 5) voted phinehus mixer select man
- 6) voted Jacob Chamberline select man
- 7) voted Sam^l Corbin select man
- 8) voted Elijah gore select man
- 9) voted the select men to be assessers
- 10) voted Joseph upham town treasurer
- 11) voted Eben^r Davison constable for the east end
- 12) voted jedediah marcy constable for the west end
- 13) voted Archible jewell and Andrew white tything men
- 14) voted Eben^r Bacon Abijah Newell Joshua wetheril and
will^m Cartur surveyers of highways
- 15) voted Elijah Dodge and Elishua Corbin fence vewers
- 16) voted Joshua Healy sealer of weights and measurs

- 17) voted Joseph pollie sealer of leather
- 18) voted that swine shall go at large
- 19) voted Joseph putney and John tompson for hoge revease
- 20) voted John Curtis John Brackit and Joshua Healy jun^r for a committee to provid schooling y^e year insuing
- 21) voted 20-0-0 lawfull money for school schooling y^e yeare insuing
- 22) voted 30-0-0 lawfull money for mending our highways ye insuing year and to go on in the method as in time past
- 23) voted to chuse a committee to seat our meeting house
- 24) voted to have five men for sd committee
- 25) voted John Curtis philip Corbin Elijah Dodge Sam^{ll} may and Elishua Corbin for a committee to seat our meeting house and the method to go by is age and estates
- 26) voted there acceptance of Cap^{tt} Cheenys gift to the town
- 27) voted to the rev^d m^r gleason the overplus above Cap^{tt} Cheenys minesters rates

the several officers above mentioned have taken there oaths as the law directs

Dudley may y^e 5th 1756

Worcester ss to jedediah marcy constable of the town of Dudley greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e 17th of may instant at one a clocke after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

- 1) to make choice of person to represent our town at the great and general court to be held at the town house in Boston the year insuing
- 2) to chuse a moderater for sd meeting
- 3) to se whate sum or sums of money the town will grant to defray town charges for the present year
- 4) to se if the town will dismiss m^r Sam^{ll} fairbanks Benjaⁿ Davis Timothy foster Benjaⁿ fairbanks and Levi fairbanks from paying there money to the east end of the town for Building

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of there school house and supporting there school and to add y^e above named persons to the middle school ward

5) to se if the town will grant to m^r phinehus mixer and Benjaⁿ Dennis sune consideration for what they have been out in recovering Sam^l Halls rates

6) to see how much money the town will grant for y^e rev^d m^r gleasons salery for the present year and to grant money to make good his salery for time paste

7) to se if the town will vote to m^r John Ruewe and his son the pue that was Cap^t Corbins there paying hime the cost of building sd pue

also to se if the town will grant m^r Jacob Chamberlin the sd pue his paying the cost of building

8) and if the town dont se cause to grant either of these persons the pue above mentioned to chues a committee to sell the pue to the hiest bidder of the town inhabitants and to be sold at a publicke vandue and y^e money to be disposd of as the town shall think fitt

9) to se if the town will grant Cap^t Newell thirty five pounds old tenor for the road through his uper lot

and make due return of your proceedings as you will answer your default at the peril of the law

phinehus mixer	}	Selectmen
Sam ^l Corbin		
Elijah gore		

according to the within written warrant I have warnd the inhabitants of this town to meet at time and place within mentioned may y^e 17th 1756

jedediah marcy constable

meeting at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday the 17th day of may 1756

1) voted to send a representative

2) voted Cap^t Cheeny representative the year insuing

- 3) voted Cap^t Cheeny moderater for sd meeting
- 4) voted 8-0-0 lawfull money to defray town charges for y^e present year
- 5) a vote being requested wether m^r fairbanks and others should be removed from y^e east to y^e middle school and it past in the negative
- 6) a vote being requested wether the town would allow m^r mixer and m^r Benjaⁿ Dennis any thing towards the charge of gitting Sam^l Halls rates and it past in the negative
- 7) voted to the rev^d m^r gleason the salery we covnanted with him for and to make good the salery for two years and four months last past according to our kontrakt with him
- 8) votes being requested wether the town would grant to m^r John Ruewe and his son or to m^r Jacob Chamberlin that pue that was Cap^t Corbins during there abode in the town there paying the cost in building and it past in y^e negative
- 9) voted not to act any thing on the 8th article
- 10) a vote being requested wether the town would grant Cap^t Newell 35-0-0 old tenor for the road through his upper lot and it past in the negative

mr gleasons grant

November 1756 rates made and deliverd into the constables hands with warrants for collecting the same

Constable jedediah marcys list for the province	58-16- 4- 2
his list for the minester	30-10- 1- 1
his wood list	4-18-10 -0
his school list	11-14- 6- 3
his town list	5- 2- 9- 3
his county list	2-10-10- 3
Constable Eben ^r Davisons list for y ^e province	44-15- 9- 0
his list for the minester	20-19- 0- 1
his wood list	3- 9- 8- 0
his school list	9- 0- 3- 1
his town list	3-18-11- 1
his county list	1-19- 5- 2

warrant

Worcester ss to Eben^r Davison one of the constables of the town of Dudley greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on monday the seventh day of march next at nine a clocke in the morning then and there to act upon the following articles

- 1) to chuse a moderater for sd meeting
 - 2) to chuse town officers for the year insuing
 - 3) to se if the town will except of the lists of mens names laid before them to serve as pety jurors at Worcester Courts
 - 4) to se what sume or sums of money the town will grant to defray the charge of schooling y^e present year
 - 5) to se what sume of money the town will grant for mending the highways the year insuing and agree on whate method
 - 6) to se if the town will vote that there swine shall rune at large
 - 7) to se if the town will except of such highways as are lately laid out by the select men of sd town
 - 8) to se if the town will hear and grant such pettion or pittions as shall be laid before them at sd meeting
- and make due return of your proceedings as you will answer your default at the peril of the law
- Dudley February y^e 23^d 1756

Joseph upham	}	Select men
Jacob Chamberline		
Sam ^{ll} Corbin		

by vertue of this warrant I have notify the inhabitants of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned

Eben^r Davison Constable

meeting

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e 7th of march 1757

- 1) voted Jonathan Newell moderater for sd meeting
- 2) voted Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerk
- 3) voted to have five select men
- 4) voted Benjaⁿ Conant select man
- 5) voted Joshua Healy select man
- 6) voted Jonathan Newell select man
- 7) voted Eben^r Bacon select man
- 8) voted Eben^r Davison select man
- 9) voted the select men to be assessers
- 10) voted jedediah marcy town treasurer
- 11) voted Ezra Conant Constable for the east end of the town
- 12) voted Joshua vinton Constable for the west end of the town
- 13) voted Jonathan Heberd and Joseph burnul tything men
- 14) voted Joseph upham and Jams fuller surveyers of highways
- 15) voted Eben^r trusdil and obediah Sabin surveyers of highways
- 16) voted Cap^t Healy sealer of weights and measurs
- 17) voted Joseph polly sealer of Leather
- 18) voted Elijah Dodge and David Cuttin fence vewers
- 19) voted Daniel Harris and David Sterns hogrevs
- 20) voted that swine shall go at large
- 21) voted by the town there axceptance of the nams of the persons to serve on the pettee jury at Worcester Courts
- 22) voted 20 0-0 lawfull money for schooling year insuing
- 23) voted 20-0-0 lawfull money for the mening our highway
- 24) voted to go on in the same method to mend our highways as in time past
- 25) voted by the town there axceptance of a highway for Elishua Corbin he paying the cost if any be
- 26) voted by the town there axceptance of a highway laid out from m^r Joseph land to Abijah Newells
- 27) voted to a number of persons the south part of our meeting house in the mens gallery to build a pew namly

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Jonathan Dennis Joseph Healy Samⁿ Eams Nathaniel Healy
mark Ellwell Daniel newell philip Newell

28) voted to Benjaⁿ morris and Samⁿ Fairbanks jun^r the
south east corner of our meeting house ovr the wemans stairs
to build them a pew they not discommoding the stairs nor
windows on the terms they requested

29) voted to job ruewe and Jams fuller that pew in our
meeting house that was Cap^t Clement Corbins on the same
footing that the others were disposd' of vz they to enjoy it
during there abode in the town and at there leaving y^e town
sd pew to return to the town again the town paying them the
cost of building sd pew

the town officers chosen at this meeting have taken there
oaths Cap^t Newell chosen Constable at this meeting and
dismist by a vote

Dudley march y^e 7th 1757 a highway laid out by the
select men of sd town begining at Eleazer putneys southwest
corner thence runing upon his line northeast to a heap of stons
thence east to a whit oake tree marked thence southeast to
another whit oak tree marked south to a maple trec marked
east to a blackoake tree marked northeast to a blackoake tree
marked east to another blackoak tree marked east to another
blackoak tree marked from thence to a roade formerly laid out
through the land of m^r Benjaⁿ Newells late of Dudley Disest
sd road to ly on the south side of sd marks and to be two
rods wide

Dudley February y^e 28th 1757 a highway laid out by the
select men of sd town for Elishua Corbin at his desire as fol-
lows begining on the east side the highway that leads from
David Cuttins to our meeting house at the corner between
Jams Corbins and Thomus Newells land from thence runing
east by the line between sd Corbins and Newells land to a
blackoak stub which is the corner bounds of sd Newells land
then runing north till it coms to Elishua Corbins land

the above mentionod road to be on the south side of sd Newells line and sd roade to be two rods wide sd Elishua to be at the cost of sd road if any be

these above mentioned roads were laid before the town at our aneual meeting in march 1757 and accepted by y^e town

to the gentlemen of the town of Dudley m^r moderater
Si^r we the subscribers being very ill accomodated to atend the publicke worship at our own parish do humbly beg a continuance of the previlidge that we have injoyed in congregating with you as in years past and in order to convene our selves and familys we desire a privilidge of building a pew over the wemans stairs and if it please the gentlemen of this town to grant sd pittion to us we beg an unmolested use of sd pew till such time as it is wanted for the towns use and at the request of the townsmen we promise to resign sd pew in good repair to them provided y^e sd towsmen paye us the first cost and further we promise to come into and joyn in any reasonable method to obligate our selves to pay y^e town rates for our heads so long as the above sd prelidge is afforded to us this our petition or petitions from us which we ever humbly pray

Benjaⁿ morris

Sam^l fairbanks jun^r

Killingly march y^e 7th 1757

may y^e 3^d 1757

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of Dudley Joshua Vinton or Ezra Conant greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e 16th of may instant at three a clock after noone then and there to act on the following articles

warrant

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- 1) to chuse a representative at the great and general Court the year insuing
- 2) to chuse a school committee for y^e present year
- 3) to se if the town will agree that the county rate may be put into some other rate and paid out of y^e town treasury
- 4) to se if the town will grant money for nesisery usses and make due return of your proceedings as you will answer your default at the peril of the law

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

By virtue of this warrant I have notifyd the inhabitants of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e 16th day of may 1757

- 1) voted Cap^t Thomus Cheeney representative for y^e year insuing
- 2) voted m^r Joseph upham moderater for sd meeting
- 3) voted m^r philip Corbin m^r Joseph vinton and m^r Sam^l Robinson for a school committee the present year
- 4) voted that the county rate may be put into some other rate and payd out of the town treasury for y^e future
- 5) voted 7-0-0 lawfull money to defray nessery charges for the present year

December 1757 y^e rev^d m^r gleasons salery is 44-8-10-2 lawfull money or 333-6-8-0 old tenor

December 1757 the rates made for that year and deliverd into the constables hands with warrants for collecting the same

Constable Joshua Vintons list for the province is	102- 3- 0- 0
and his list for the minesters rate is	25-14- 9- 0
and his list for the wood rate is	4-12- 7- 0
and his list for the school rate is	10-18- 1- 1
and his list for the town rate is	5- 8- 9- 3
Constable Ezra Conants list for the province is	83-17- 0- 0
and his list for the minesters rate is	20-13- 0- 3
and his list for the wood rate is	3-14- 0- 3
and his list for the school rate is	9- 4- 7- 0
and his list for the town rate is	4-11- 8- 3

Dudley February y^e 14th 1758

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of
Dudley Joshua Vinton or Ezra Conant greeting you are
hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhab-
itants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to
meet at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e 6th day of
march next at nine a clock in the morning then and the to
act upon the following articles

warrant

- 1) to chuse a moderater for sd meeting
- 2) to chuse town officers for the year insuinge
- 3) to grant money to defray the charge of schooling
- 4) to chuse a committee to provide schooling the present year
- 5) to agree on some method for mending our highways and to grant money to defray the charge thereof
- 6) to hear and grant any petition which may then be laid before the town if they see cause
- 7) to chuse a committee to reckon with m^r Joseph upham who hath servd as treasurer for this town
- 8) to se if the town will devid the middle school ward in this town

Dudley Town Records, 1758.

and make due return of your proceedings as you will answer
your default at the peril of the law

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

By vertue of this warrant I have warnd the inhabitants of
this town to meet at time and place within mentioned

Ezra Conant Constable

meeting

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regu-
larly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday
y^e 6th of march 1758

- 1) voted m^r Joseph Sabin moderater for sd meetinge
- 2) voted to have five select men the year insuing
- 3) voted m^r Joseph Sabin select man
- 4) voted m^r phinehus mixer select man
- 5) voted m^r Joseph upham select man
- 6) voted m^r Sam^l Corbin select man
- 7) voted Ezra Conant select man
- 8) voted the select men to be assessers
- 9) voted Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke
- 10) voted m^r Joseph upham town treasurer
- 11) voted m^r Sam^l Robinson Constable for the east end of
the town
- 12) voted m^r Eben^r trusdil Constable for the west end of the
town
- 13) voted Joseph Jewell jun^r and timothy foster tything men
- 14) voted Cap^t Healy sealer of weights and measuers
- 15) voted Joseph polley sealer of leather
- 16) voted Elijah gore and Eben^r Edmunds jun^r surveyers of
highways
- 17) voted Lef^t Bradbery and Andrew white surveyers of
highways
- 18) voted the surveyers of highways to be colecters of the
highway rates in labour and if not in money

- 19) voted Jacob Chamberline and Elishua Corbin fence viewers
- 20) voted that swine shall go at large
- 21) voted Jonathan Hebbard and Thomas Hochins hoge revevs
- 22) voted Sam^{ll} Chamberline and Eben^r Scott dear revevs
- 23) voted 20-0-0 lawfull money to defray the charge of schooling
- 24) voted 20-0-0 lawfull money for mending our highways
- 25) voted labour at the highways at 0-2-6 a day from the first of may to the last of September and after that at 0-1-6 a day
- 26) voted to dismise the petition relating the west pew in our meeting house gallery for the present
- 27) voted to dismise deviding the middle school ward for the present
- 28) voted m^r Sam^{ll} Corbin m^r Sam^{ll} may and Andrew white for a committee to settle with the town treasurer and make report at our may meeting
- 29) voted m^r John Curtis m^r Eben^r Bacon and m^r paul Robinson for a committee to provid schooling the year insuing
the several officers before mentioned have taken there oaths as the law directs accept Sam^{ll} Chamberline being moved out of town

Dudley may 4th 1758. Then receivd y^e Sum of one hundred and forty-eight pounds, three shillings and two pence two farthings in full of my Salary and arrearages to y^e first day of march 1757 Wood Excepted

P^r Charles Gleason

Dudley may y^e 13th 1758

Worcester ss to either of the constables town of Dudley

warrant

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Sam^l Robinson or Eben^r trusdil greeting you are hearby required forthwith to warn or notify y^e several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e twenty second day of may instent at two a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

- 1) to chuse a moderater for sd meeting
- 2) to chuse a person to represent this town at the great and general court to be holden at the Court house in Boston the year insuing
- 3) to grant money for necissery uses
- 4) to se what the town will do relating to y^e rev^d m^r gleasons fire wood
- 5) to se whate the town will do concerning y^e arereiges of y^e highway rates
- 6) to se if the town will allow the school money given by John Thompson to ly in m^r Sam^l Robinsons hands he paying the use
- 7) to hear the report of y^e committee that was chosen to settle with treasurer upham
- 8) to chuse a person to take care of our meeting house and dige graves when needed
- 9) to hear and grant any petition that may then be laid before the town if they se fitt
and make due return of your proceedings as you will answer your defalt at the peril of the law

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

By vertue of this warrant I have notifyd the inhabitants of this to meet at time and place within mentioned

Eben^r trusdil Constable

meeting

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e 22^d day of may 1758

- 1) voted not to send a Deputy
- 2) voted m^r Joseph upham moderater for sd meeting
- 3) voted 8-0-0 lawfull money for nessisery uses
- 4) voted that the present surveyers collect the ereriges of the highway lists and worke it out on our highways in the method they work this year
- 5) voted that the money in m^r Sam^l Robinsons hands belonging to the town to ly in his hands a year after it is payable he paying the interest
- 6) voted there acceptance of the committees report in settling with treasurer upham
- 7) voted there acceptance of three quarters of an acre of land which Cap^t paul Robinson reservd in nathan jelferds land for a burying place and gives that to the neighbourhood for that use reserving a priviledge for himself and family
- 8) voted m^r will^m Cartur for to dig graves
- 9) voted the rev^d m^r gleason 30 cords of fire wood brought to his house by the last of january next at forty shilings a cord old tenor
- 10) voted m^r Alixander Thompson to take care of our meeting house this year

mr gleasons grant

A settlement with the treasurer m^r Joseph upham
Dudley April 12 1758

and we find in his hands the sume of	4-14- 4- 0
and remaining in Constable Eben ^r Davisons hands	14- 4-11- 3
and in Constable jedediah marcys hands	16- 8-11- 3
and in Constable mays hands	1- 5- 4- 2

Sam ^l Corbin	} Committee
Andrew white	

Worcester ss to Constable Sam^l Robinson you are hearby requird in his majestys name forthwith to warn the

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several familys hear after mentioned to depart out of this town vz Sam^{ll} Chubb with his wife prudence and children rebeckah mary and Lucy moses mackclallen and mary his wife and child mary James Shafter with Esther his wife and children Simon Lois mary and Esther and likewise Hezekiah Bellos

and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon as you will answer your default at the peril of the law in that case made and provided

Dudley july y^e 6th 1758

Joseph upham }
 Sam^{ll} Corbin } Select men
 Ezra Conant }

By vertue of this warrant I have warnd the several persons within named to depart out of this town of Dudley as the law directes july y^e 24th 1758

Sam^{ll} Robinson Constable

Worcester ss to Constable Eben^r trusdil you are hearby requird in his majestys name forthwith to warn the several familys hereafter mentioned to depart out of this town vz John wiley with his wife Rachel and children Robin Susannah and Robert John Scott with his wife mary and child Sam^{ll} palmer with Rachel his wife and children Rachel mehitebel Sam^{ll} comfort Silas and hannah John Coburn and Deborah his wife and his children zeruiah John and Joseph and likewise susannah wiley

and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon as you will answer your default at the peril of the law in that case made and provided

Dudley july y^e 6th 1758

Joseph upham }
 Sam^{ll} Corbin } Select men
 Ezra Conant }

july y^e 20th 1758 in obedience to the within written warrant to me directed I have warnd the several persons within

mentioned to depart according to the tenor of the within written warrant

p^r me Eben^r Trusdil Constable



This 18th day of may 1758 the Select men of the town of Oxford and Dudley meet at the pond called Charmamagunkamuge and preambled the line Between sd Oxford and Dudley from sd pond to Chalton southeast corner and renewed the Bounds according the former preamblation

John Willson	}	Select men
Alixander Campbel		of
Eben ^r Learnerd		Oxford
Joseph upham	}	Select men
Sam ^l Corbin		of Dudley



we the subscribers hearunto have preambled the Bounds between Dudley and Chalton as follows vz begining at a heap of stons which is the northeast corner of Dudley and the southeast corner of Chalton from thence to a black oak from thence to a white oak from thence to a white oak being m^r uphams N. E. corner from thence to a maple tree in a swamp from thence to a white oak from thence to a dry pitch pine on a hill with stons about it from thence to a white oak tree east of m^r pairpints medow from thence to a white oak from thence to a black oak and stons about it from thence to a red oak tree in m^r pairpoynts wall from to a white from thence to a red oak and a heap of stons by it from thence to a large red oak south of Foskitts from thence to a walnut tree and stons about it from thence to a stump with stons about it from thence to a white oak and black oak together from thence to red oak on the east side of y^e great pond from thence to a gray oak on the west sid of sd pond from thence to a chesnut tree from thence to a great black oak tree on the east sid the little

pond from thence to a white oak on the west sid the little pond
 from thence to a white oak on the west sid of a swamp from
 thence to a heap of stons on the hill south of Bloods from
 to a heap of stons on a rock from thence to a white oak tree
 at the south end of Isaiah Bloods land from thence to a walnut
 tree in Eleazer putney north line from thence to a white oak
 from thence to a stak and heap of stons from thence to a white
 oak with a heap of stons about it on a hill north of m^r Joseph
 Sabins from thence to a black oak from thence to a heap of
 stons by a crathed red oak from thence to a large white pine
 tree near were trout brook enters the river from thence to heap
 of stons on the side hill west of the river from thence to a
 white oak tree from thence to a white oak tree from thence to
 a walnut tree from thence to a white oak tree from thence to a
 small crothed white oak tree west of a ledge of rocks from
 thence to a heap of stons which is Dudley N. W corner and
 Chalton S^w corner

Dudley April y^e 18th 1758

phinehus mixer	} Select men of Dudley and Chalton
Joseph upham	
Richard Dresser	
Isaiah Blood	

Dudley November 1758 rates made and deliverd into the
 Constabls hands with warrants for colecting the same

Constable Sam ^l Robinsons list to the province	85- 2- 2- 1
his list to the minester	20- 4- 6- 2
his wood list	3-16- 5- 3
his school list	9- 7- 7- 2
his town and county list	7- 0- 4- 1
Constable Eben ^r Trusdils list to the province	85- 2- 2- 1
his list to the minester	24- 6-11- 1
his wood list	4-12- 1- 0
his school list	10-15- 1- 0
and his town and county list	7-16-11- 1

Worcester ss to Eben^r Trusdil one of the Constables of warrant
the town of Dudley in the county of Worcester greeting you
are hearby in his majestys name requird forthwith to warn or
notify the inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote
in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in Dudley on
monday the fifth day of march next at nine a clocke in the
morning then and there to act upon the following articles

- 1) to chuse a moderater for the present meeting
- 2) to chuse town officers for the year insuing as the law directs
- 3) to se what method the town will take for the mending our highways in sd town and to grant money for the mending sd highways
- 4) to se what sume or sumes of money the town will grant to defray the charg of schooling y^e year insuing
- 5) to se if the town will chuse a committee to provid schooling y^e year insuing
- 6) to se if the town will chuse a committee to reckon with y^e town treasurer
- 7) for to hear and grant any petition or petitions that may be laid before them at sd meeting
- 8) to se if the town will vote for swine to go at large
- 9) to se if the town will accept of any highway or roads laid out by y^e select men

and make due return of your proceedings as you will answer your default at the peril of the law

Dated at Dudley this thirteenth day of February y^e 32d year of his majestys reign A D 1759

Joseph Sabin	} Select men
Joseph upham	
phinehas mixer	
Sam ^{ll} Corbin	

By vertue of this warrant I have notifyd the inhabitants of this town to meet at time and place within mentioned .

Eben^r Trusdil Constable



meeting

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e 5th day of march 1759

- 1) voted m^r Joseph Sabin moderater for sd meeting
- 2) voted to have five select men the present year
- 3) voted Benjaⁿ Conant select man
- 4) voted Joseph Sabin select man
- 5) voted Sam^l Corbin select man
- 6) voted Sam^l Robinson select man
- 7) voted Joseph jewell jun^r select man
- 8) voted the select men to be assessers
- 9) voted Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke
- 10) voted Joseph upham Town treasurer
- 11) voted Nathaniel jewell Constable for the west end of the town
- 12) voted will^m Cartur Constable and Andrew white by the town in his roome
- 13) voted Joshua Healy jun^r and Nathan jefferds tything men
- 14) voted John tayler Joseph Burnul Sam^l Fairbanks and Sam^l Kidder surveyers of highways
- 15) voted Jonathan Heberd and Elishua Sabin jun^r hog reives
- 16) voted for swine to go at large
- 17) voted Cap^t Healy sealer of waits and measurs
- 18) voted Joseph polly sealer of leather
- 19) voted job ruewe and Jonathan Dennis fence vewers
- 20) voted Eben^r Scott and Eleazer putney dear reives
- 21) voted 40-0-0 lawfull money for to mend our highways
- 22) voted the surveyers of our highways to be colecters for sd sume granted for that use either in labour or money
- 23) voted labour at our highways at 0-3-0 a day till the last of September and after that at two shilling a day
- 24) voted 20-0-0 lawfull money to defray the charge of schooling the present year
- 25) voted Lef^t Bradbery phillip Corbin and Abijah Newell for a committee to provid schooling y^e year insuing

26) voted and abated m^r foster his sons rate that was wounded in the servise

27) voted m^r Sam^l Corbin m^r jedediah marcy and Ezra Conant for a committee to settle with treasurer upham and to make return at may meeting

28) voted by the town there acceptance of a highway laid out for Elishua Corbin by ye selectmen at his request

29) voted to a number of young men the southwest corner of our meeting house over the mens stairs for to build them a pue at there own cost and charge and whenever the town shall cause to improve it any other way they expect there cost back again
Joseph upham David Kidder Lemuel Corbin Brown Dodge Eben^r tayler Jire Vinton will^m morris Stephen Carter

A highway or road laid out for m^r Elishua Corbin at his request by the selectmen of Dudley which is as follows
begining at the east end of the road or way which is allready laid out and excepted by the town for him and to extend eastwardly as far as the east end of sd Corbins dwelling house the sd road is to ly south of sd Elishua Corbins south line and to be two rods wide and no more

Dudley February y^e 13th 1759

Dudley may y^e 15th 1759

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of
Dudley nathaniel jewell or Andrew white greeting you are warrant
heaby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifid to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on thirsday y^e 24th day of may instent at three a clock after noon then^d and there to act upon the following articles

Dudley Town Records, 1759.

- 1) to chuse a person to represent our town at the great and general court to be holden at Boston the year insuing
 - 2) to grant money for nessesery use
 - 3) to reconsider the vote that was past at our march meeting last concerning a road laid out for Elishua Corbin at his request
 - 4) to chuse a person to take care of our meeting house
 - 5) to see if the town will vote the pue in the west gallery of our meeting house to the younge men that built it or pay them there cost and dispose of it in some method as the town shall think fitt
 - 6) to se if the town will devid our middle school ward into two or three parts for schooling
- and make due return of your proceedings as you will answer your default at the peril of the law

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

By vertue of this warrant I have notify the inhabitants of the town of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned

Andrew white Constable

meeting

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on thirsday y^e 24th day of may 1759 in order to chuse a Deputy and the town declind chusing any

- 1) voted m^r Joseph Sabin moderater for sd meeting
- 2) voted 12-0-0 lawfull money for nessisery use
- 3) voted and reconsiderd the vote of acceptance of a road for Elishua Corbin at our last march meeting in 1759
- 4) voted m^r Benjaⁿ Davis to take care of meeting house y^e year insuing
- 5) voted that the young men are not to have the pue which they built in the west gallery of our meeting house
- 6) voted that the young men are not to have there cost for building sd pue

7) voted that the sd young men may take away the sd pue when they se cause

These may certify whome it may concern that Thomas Cheney Esq^r of Dudley doth freequently and usually meet with the Baptist Church at Sturbridge and we beleive he is conceinsusly of that perswasion

Sturbridge july y ^e 18 th 1759	Henry Fiske } Daniel Fiske } John Newell }	Chosen for that purpose
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Sutton july y^e 9th 1759 to the assessers of Dudley these may certify you that Joseph Vinton of sd town has declard to us the subscribers that he is of the Baptis prinseples and we beleive he is conscienciouly in our Baptis perswasion we think he ought to have the privilidg of the law and to be cleard from paying minesteriel chargs

David Harwood } Benja ⁿ marsh } Joseph Bullen }	by us chosen
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These may certify whome it may concern Alixander Brown of Dudley doth frequently attend the publicke worship of God with the Baptis Church at Sturbridge and we beleive he is concontously inclined to that perswasion

Sturbridge july y ^e 20 th 1759	Henry Fiske } Daniel Fiske } John Newell }	Chosen for y ^t purpose
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These may certify whome it may concern that Elishua Sabin jun^r of Dudley doth frecquently and usually meet with the Baptis Church at Sturbridge and we beleive he is conscienceusly of that perswasion

Sturbridg july y ^e 18 th 1759	Henry Fiske } Daniel Fiske } John Newell }	Chosen for that purpose
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Dudley Town Records, 1759-1760.

November 1759 rates made and deliverd into the constables hands for the town of Dudley with warrants for collecting the same

Constable Nathaniel jewells list to the province is	120-12-11- 1
and his minesters list	24-12- 7- 2
and his wood list	4-18-10- 3
and his school list	11- 1- 9- 3
and his town and county list	8-15-11- 1
Constable Andrew whits list to the province is	102- 9- 3- 0
and his list to the minester is	20-13- 2- 3
and his wood liste	4- 2- 3- 3
and his list to the school is	9- 6- 8- 3
and his town and county list is	7- 9- 5- 2

Dudley November y^e 20th 1759

Worcester ss to Constable Andrew white greeting in his majestys name you are required to warn all those persons hereafter named to depart out of the town of Dudley forthwith the nams of persons are these mary Sanders and her daughter mary and her son abiding at Abijah Tuckers also Isaac Humphry and his wife and his children Isaac and Elijah and Sam^{ll} and David Burril the widow Sarah Southwick and Abigail Noland and her child

and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon as you will answer your default at the peril of the law

Joseph Sabin	} Select men
Sam ^{ll} Corbin	
Sam ^{ll} Robinson	
Joseph jewell	

in obedience to this warrant I have warnd the within named persons to depart out of this town according to the tenner of this warrant

Dudley january y^e 1^t 1760

p^r me Andrew white Constable

Dudley January 29th 1760

Then receivd the sum of eighty eight pounds, seventeen shillings and nine pence, in full of my salary to the First day of march 1759, and sixteen pounds in full of my Wood-Rate to the last day of oct^r 1759

p^r Charles Gleason

Dudley january y^e 16th 1760

Worcester ss to either of constables of the town of Dudley Nathaniel jewell or Andrew white greeting you are hearby required forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on tusday y^e 29th day of january instent at one a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

warrant

1) for the town to hear and act on the proposals which the Rev^d m^r gleason may make relating to the land the town gave him near our meeting house in y^e year 1744 in order to build him a house on

2) to se if the town will confirm the agreement the middle school ward made to devide into two part

3) to see if the town will let the money remain in m^r Sam^{ll} Robinsons hands another year which John Tompson gave the town he paying the interst

4) to hear the committees report relating to the treasurer

5) to se if the town will reconsider the vots the where past concerning the pue in the west gallery of our meeting house and dispose of it as the town shall think proper

6) to se if the town will Build a new pound and wether with wood or stone

and make due return of your proceedings as you will answer your defalt at the peril of the law

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

in obedance to this warrant I have notifyd the inhabitants of

the town of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned
Andrew white Constable

meeting

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on tuesday ye 29th of january 1760

- 1) voted Deacon Newell moderater for sd meeting
 - 2) voted not to purchise that acree and half of land the town gave the rev^d m^r gleason by our meeting house
 - 3) a vote being requested wether the town would confirm the agreement made by the middle school ward for deviding into two parts and it past in the negative
 - 4) voted that the towns money in m^r Sam^l Robinsons to remain there another year
 - 5) voted there acceptance of the committees settlement with Treasurer upham
 - 6) voted and reconsider the vots that were past relating to the pue the young men built in the west gallery of our meeting house at a meeting in may last
 - 7) voted the pue in the west gallery of our meeting house to the young men that Built it taking out Robert Webster and John Eams and puting in Lef^t John Cortis Nathaniel jewell and Andrew Coburn jun^r they paying sd webster and Eams there first cost in building and it is expected that the owners of sd pue will maintain the glasse adjoyning to sd pue as others do
 - 8) voted not to build a pound for the presente
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we the subscribers being chosen as a committee by the town of Dudley to Recken with Treasurer upham have attended that

service and we find in the treasurers hands the sume of
11-2-3-3 lawfull money

Dudley january y^e 29th 1760

Sam ^l Corbin	} Committee
jedidiah marcy	
Ezra Conant	

Dudley February y^e 20th 1760

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of
 Dudley Nathaniel jewell or Andrew white greeting you
 are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the severall in-
 habitants of the town of Dudley qualifd to vote in town affairs
 to meet at our meeting house in sd town on monday the third
 day of march next at nine a clock in the morning then and
 there to act upon the following articles

warrant

- 1) to chuse a moderater for sd meeting
- 2) to chuse town officers for the year insuing
- 3) to se if the town will chuse a committee to bound out
 our four acres of land by our meeting house according to the
 plan of it and to stake out the rev^d m^r gleasons acree and a
 half for him on y^e sd four acres
- 4) to se if the town will reconsider there vote of acceptance
 the last part of m^s Elishua Corbins road on his brother James
 Corbins land and to advance the first part of sd road three rods
 further east
- 5) to agree on sume method for the mending our highways
 and grant money for y^e same
- 6) to grant money to defray the charge of schooling and
 also to chuse a committee for y^e same
- 7) to se if the town will accept of the highway laid out by
 m^r David Sternes
- 8) to se if the town will divid the middle and west school
 wards into four parts
- 9) to se if the town will grant money to defray nessesery
 chargs

and make due return of your proceedings as you will answer
your default at the peril of the law

By order of y^e select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

By vertue of this warrant I have notifyd the inhabitants of
the town of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned

Andrew white Constable

meeting

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regu-
lerly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday
the third day of march 1760

- 1) voted m^r Joseph upham moderater for sd meeting
- 2) voted Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke
- 3) voted to have but 3 select men seperat from assessers
- 4) voted Benjaⁿ Conant select man
- 5) voted m^r Joseph upham select man
- 6) voted m^r phinehus mixer select man
- 7) voted to have three assessers seperat from the select men
- 8) voted m^r Sam^l fairbanks assessor
- 9) voted m^r Sam^l Corbin assessor
- 10) voted m^r Joseph Sabin jun^r assessor
- 11) voted m^r Joseph upham town treasurer
- 12) voted m^r Joseph Burnul constable for the west end of
the town
- 13) voted m^r Timothy foster constable for the east end of
the town
- 14) voted Andrew white and Joseph Healy tything men
- 15) voted Deacon Newell Sam^l fairbanks Andrew white
Ezra Conant and Joseph Sabin jun^r surveyers of highways and
voted them colecters of sd highway lists
- 16) voted Sam^l may and Abijah Newell fence vewers
- 17) voted Cap^t Healy sealer of waits and measurs
- 18) voted Joseph polly sealer of leather
- 19) voted that swine may go at large
- 20) voted Joseph Edmunds jun^r Joseph Stone and Simeon
wakfeild for hogreaves

21) voted the select men as a committee to settle the Bounds of our four acres of land at our meeting house and to measure out y^e rev^d m^r gleasons acre and a half of land on sd four acres

22) voted and disanuled there vote of acceptance of the second part of Elishua Corbins road laid on his brother James Corbins land and voted the first part of sd road to advance three rods further east

23) voted to mend our highways in the same method as in the year past

24) voted 50-0-0 for the mending our highways and to be workt out at 0-3-0 a day till the last of September and then at 0-2-0 a day

25) voted that the middle and west school wards are divided into four school wards according to the paper now laid before the town

26) voted 30-0-0 to defray the charge of schooling the present year

27) voted and referd over the acceptance of the road by m^r Sternses for consideration and raising money for nessisery uses to may meeting

note the several officers above mentioned have taken there oaths

Dudley may y^e 14th 1760

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of Dudley Timothy Foster or Joseph Burnul greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on thirsd day y^e 22 day of this instant may at two a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

warrant

1) to chuse a representitive for the year insuing

2) to se if the town will accept of thē committees report relating to y^e rev^d m^r gleasons land by our meeting house

3) to se if the town will accept of the highway laid out

from Deacon Edmunds south line by David Sternes to the colony line it being referd over from march meeting to this in may for consideration

4) to se if the town will free m^r ramsdil and his estate towards the support of the widow rich for the future provided he gives her her board y^e present year

5) to grant money for nessisery uses

6) to dispos of our school house by our meeting house as they think most proper

7) to se if the town will build a new pound and wether with wood or stone

and make due return of your proceedings as you will answer your defalt at the peril of the law

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

By vertue of this warrant I have notifyd the inhabitants of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned

Timothy Foster Constable

meeting

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on thirsday the 22^d day of may 1760

and it being requested wether they would send a Debputy and the people declined sending

1) voted m^r Joseph upham moderater for sd meeting

2) voted by the town there acceptance of y^e committees report relating to y^e rev^d m^r gleasons agree and a half of land by our meeting house according to the plan made by m^r Theophilus Chandler surveyer

3) voted there acceptance of a highway laid out from Deacon Edmunds south line by David Sternses to the colony line it being referd over from march meeting to this in may for consideration

4) voted to clear m^r ramsdil and his estate for the future from any further charge towards the support of the widow

jane rich he gives her her board the present year

5) voted to build a pound with stone within a year from this time

6) voted 14-0-0 for the charge of building sd pound

7) voted 4-0-0 for nessisery charges

8) voted to set sd pound by m^r will^m Carturs

9) voted m^r Eben^r Bacon m^r Joseph upham and m^r phinehus mixer to be a committee to dispose of our school house by our meeting in the best manner they cane and to deliver each part there proportion of the money



Dudley February y^e 12th 1760

a highway laid out by the select men of sd town at the request of a number of persons as follows begining at the south-west corner of m^r Eben^r Bacons farm at the south end of a road formerly laid out and runing about south two rods wide east of m^r Joseph Burnuls first lease of m^r Dudleys land were the path is now trod to a white oak tree with stons by the side of it from thence by the east end of m^r David Sternses house from thence pritty straight to a white oak stump in the middle of the road near the colony line at the little gate that gos out of sd Sternses pasture y^e sd road to be two rodes wide

this sd road was brought to the town at our aneuel meeting in march in 1760 and not accepted but referd over to our meeting in may for consideration and then accepted by the town

Benja ⁿ Conant	} Select men
Joseph Sabin	
Sam ^l Corbin	
Joseph jewell jun ^r	



Dudley july y^e 1^t 1760

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of warrant

Dudley Town Records, 1760.

Dudley Timothy Foster or Joseph Burnul greeting you are hereby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on thirsday y^e 10 day of this instent july at four a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

- 1) to chuse a moderater for sd meeting
- 2) to see if the town will reconsider the vots that were past at our last march and may meetings concerning the division of our middle and west school wards and come into some other or better method to accomedate the whole and also to reconsider the grant of money that was raised for schooling
- 3) to se if the town will except of the jury men laid before them
- 4) to se if the town will set a prise upon labour about our pound or put it out by the great
and make due return of your proceedings as you will answer your default at the peril of the law

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

By vertue of this warrant I have notifyd the inhabitants of the town of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned
Timothy Foster Constable

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on thirsday y^e 10th day of july 1760

- 1) voted Cap^t Sam^l Newell moderater for sd meeting
- 2) voted and reconsidered the votes that were past at our last march and may meeting relating to the division of our middle and west school wards
- 3) voted by the town their exceptance of the jury men laid before them this meeting is adjurend to y^e 26th day of August next at two a clock after noone

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regu-

lerly assembled at our meeting in sd town on ye 26th day of August 1760 upon adjournment from ye 10th of july last

- 1) voted to put out the Building of our pound by the great
- 2) voted 9-10-0 lawfull money to m^r Elishua Corbin for building a good stone pound By m^r will^m Carturs sd pound to be 3 foot and a half thick at bottom of said wall and about eighteen or twenty intichs thick at top and six foot and a half high with a teer of good flatt stons on the wall above the six foot and half high sd pound to be two rod squar within the walls with a good gate well handg the town finding the irons sd pound to be completed by the first of may next

Dudley August ye 30th 1760

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of Dudley Timothy foster or Joseph Burnul greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on tusday ye 9th day of Sep^r next at three a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

warrant

- 1) to chuse a moderater for sd meeting
- 2) to se if the town will agree to the division of our middle and west school wards as they where laid before the town at our last aneual meeting in march or come into some other method as they shall think fitt
- 3) to se if the town will grant any sume or sumes of money to be assest on each or either of sd divisons to build there school houses and also to build sd houses

and make due return of our proceedings as you will answer your defalt at the peril of law

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

By vertue of this warrant I have notifyd the inhabitants of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned

Timothy foster Constable

meeting

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on tuesday y^e 9th day of Sep^r 1760

- 1) voted m^r Joseph upham moderater for sd meeting
- 2) voted to stand by the division of our middle and west school wards as they where laid before the town at our last march meeting
- 3) voted 13-6-8 to be raisd upon each division for building sd school houses
- 4) voted phineus mixer Eben^r Davison Sam^{ll} may Joshua Healy jun^r Joseph Burnul Eben^r Edmunds jun^r Sam^{ll} Corbin philip Corb and Joseph upham for three committees to build sd school houses

Dudley September y^e 22^d 1760

Know all men by these presents that I will^m Cartur of Dudley in the county of Worcester do hearby give grant and discharge for myself and heirs all my right and tittle to a certain peace of land on the west side the road near my house oposit against the old pound containing thirty eight foot squar whereon to set a pound for the towns use during the towns pleasure and whenever the town ses cause to remove the pound sd land to return to sd will^m Cartur as wittness my hand

Andred Darby }
John Nickolls }

William Carter.

warrant

Worcester ss To Duncan Campbell Esq^r one of his majestys justies of peace for sd county shew our earnest request and desire of us the subscribers inhabitants of the town of Dudley in sd county and being freeholders in sd town whereas we the subscribers aforsd made application to the selectmen of sd Dudley several tims in writinge under our hands by us subscribers desiring the sd selectmen to call a town meeting as

soone as could be by law to act upon the following articles vz

- 1) to chuse a moderater for sd meeting
- 2) to se if the will reconsider the votes that were past at our last town meeting on September y^e 9th 1760
- 3) to se if the town will sete of a number of subscribers a school ward to keep a school in the house that was our old school house by our meeting house and to draw there proportion of school money yearly they paying the other inhabitants there just proportion of the money the old school house was sold for
- 4) to se if the town will chuse a committee to provide schooling
- 5) to se if the town will allow those persons on the west side of quineboge River to draw there own school money to be laid out in schooling amongst themselves

and we the subscribers pray that you would grant us a warrant for calling a town meeting to act on the articles above mentioned on the eighteth day of December next at ten a clock in the forenoone

Sam^l Newell
Joseph Sabin
Sam^l Corbin
Jacob Chamberline
Joshua Vinton
Hezekiah Bellus
Elezer putney
James Corbin
Will^m Cartur
Andrew white
Sam^l Eams
Eben^r Bacon
Joshua Healy jun^r

Worcester ss to Joseph Burnul one of the constables of Dudley in sd county of Worcester greeting in his majestys name you are hearby requird agreeable to law to notify and warn the freeholders and other inhabitants of Dudley qualifyd by law to vote in town affairs to meet at the meeting house in

Dudley Town Records, 1760.

Dudley on monday the eighteth day of December next at ten a clock in the forenoone then and there to transact on each and every of the perticulers within mentioned and fail not and have you then this warrant with your doings thereon timly

Dated in oxford this twenty eighteth day of November in the 34th year of his majestys reign georg the second

Duncan Campbell justice of peace

Worcester ss Dudley December y^e 8th 1760

persuant to this above warrant to me directed I have warnd the freeholders and other inhabitants qualifd by law to vote in town affairs to meet at the meeting house in dudley and on the day and clocke aforesd as above mentioned for the ends above specified

Joseph Burnul Constable of Dudley

Meeting at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday the 8th day of December 1760

- 1) voted m^r Joseph Sabin moderater for sd meeting
- 2) voted and reconsiderd the votes that where past at our last town meeting on Septh y^e 9th 1760 relating to schooling
- 3) voted Cap^l Healy m^r mixer m^r upham m^r Joseph Vinton and m^r Sam^l Robinson for a committee to provide schooling till the money is expended thats now assest for schooling
- 4) voted that the inhabitants of Dudley on the west side of quinebog river shall draw there own school money thats now assest to expend amonge themselves in schooling

December y^e 8th 1760 rates made and deliverd into the constables hands with warrents for colecting the same

Constable timothy Fosters province list	84-13-11- 3
and his minesters list	20-13- 1- 3
his wood list	3-10- 0- 2

his school list	14- 2- 7- 2
and his town and county list	10-10- 0- 1
and Constable Joseph Burnuls list for the province	95- 9- 6- 2
his list for the minesters rate	23-15-10- 2
his wood list	3-19- 5- 2
his school list	15-18- 7- 0
and his town and county list	11-17- 1- 2

Dudley February y^e 20th 1761

warrant

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of Dudley Timothy Foster or Joseph Burnul greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in said town on monday the second day of march next at nine a clocke in the morning then and there to act upon the following articles

- 1) to chuse a moderater for sd meeting
- 2) to chuse town officers for the year insuing
- 3) to grant money for schooling and other nessisery chargs
- 4) to se if the town will agree to settle our school wards if not to chuse a committee
- 5) to se if the town will exept of a road or road which may then be laid before them
- 6) to se if the town will agree on some method for the mending of our highways and grant money to defray the charge thereof
- 7) to se if the town will allow swine to go at large
- 8) to chuse a committee to settle with treasurer upham and make report at may meeting and make due return of your proceedings as you will answer your default at the peril of the law in that case made and provided

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

By vertue of this warrant I have notifyd the inhabitants of

the town of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned
Joseph Burnul Constable

town meeting at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e 2^d day of march 1761

- 1) voted m^r Joseph Sabin moderater for sd meeting
- 2) voted Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke
- 3) voted to have five select men
- 4) voted Benjaⁿ Conant select man and dismist by a vote
- 5) voted m^r Joseph Sabin select man
- 6) voted Deacon Jonⁿ Newell select man
- 7) voted m^r Sam^l Corbin select man
- 8) voted m^r Silas Robinson select man
- 9) voted Ezra Conant select man
- 10) voted the select men to be assessers
- 11) voted Cap^t Sam^l Newell town treasurer
- 12) voted Joseph Edmunds jun^r constable for y^e west end and Joseph Burnul expected in his room
- 13) voted job ruewe constable for the east end and Andrew white expected in his room
- 14) voted Timothy Foster and Abijah Newell tything men
- 15) voted Cap^t Healy sealer of waits and measurs
- 16) voted Joseph polly sealer of leather
- 17) voted Elezer putney and Eben^r Edmunds jun^r surveyers of highways
- 18) voted m^r Benjaⁿ Kidder Elijah gore and Sam^l Robinson surveyers of highways
- 19) voted m^r Jacob Bradbery and m^r Nathaniel Healy fence vewers
- 20) voted that swine may go at large
- 21) voted Joseph putney and Fesenden hogreves
- 22) voted to have three wardens
- 23) voted Lef^t Bradbery Lef^t Curtis and m^r phinehus mixer to be wardens

24) voted to have five schools this year Between quininbog river and the east school ward one at the old school house by our meeting house one at or near Deacon Edmundses one at m^r philip Corbins one at our school house near m^r gores and one at the school house near m^r Jacob Chamberlins

25) voted the select men to provide a schoolinge the year insuing and to devid our school money that may be granted for schooling most for the publicke benifit in schooling our children

26) voted by the town there axeptance of a highway from Chalton line at m^r Fosdicks south line to the south end of m^r mixers saw mill dame

27) voted 30-0-0 lawfull money for the mending of our highways in the same method they did last year labour at 0-3-0 a day from the firs of may to the last of September and then at 0-2-0 a day

28) voted that the first monday in march shall be our aneuel meeting for the future and that a notifikation set up at our meeting house shall be a sufficent warning for calling town meetings

29) voted insigin Corbin Lefth marcy and m^r Joseph Sabin jun^r a committee to settle with treasurer upham and make report at may meeting

the town officers above mentioned have taken there oaths

february 1761 a highway laid out by the select men of Dudley begining at a whit oake stub in the line Between Chalton and Dudley near the southwest corner of m^r Eben^r foskits land runing southerly to a whit oak tree markt from thence to a Blackoak tree markt from thence to a whit oak tree markt from thence to another whit oak tree markt from thence to a chesnut stadle markt from thence to a walnut stadle markt from thence to a small blackoak tree markt from thence to the south end of m^r phinehus mixers sawmill dam and these sd markt trees all on the east side of sd road and sd road to be

Dudley Town Records, 1761.

two rod wide and in or near where the path is now trod and this above mentioned road was brought to our aneuel meeting in march 1761 and excepted by y^e town

warrant

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of Dudley Andrew white or Joseph Burnul greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in Dudley on wednesday y^e 20th day of may instent at two a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

- 1) to chuse a moderater for sd meeting
- 2) to chuse a representative to represent our town at the great and general court to be holden at the court house in Boston on wednesday y^e 27th of may instent
- 3) to se if the town will give the rev^d m^r gleason somthing more then his salery for the present year
- 4) to se if the town will do somthing towards finishing our meeting house
- 5) to grant such sune or sums of money for schooling and other nesisery uses as may be thought proper
- 6) to se if the town will agree that m^r Benjⁿ Davis shall draw money out of our town treasury to purchase him a cove during the towns pleasure
- 7) to hear and exopt the Committees report relating to there settlement with treasurer upham
- 8) to se if the town will do anything further relating to our old school house by our meeting house
and make due return of your proceedings as you will answer your defalt at the peril of the law

Dudley may y^e 12th 1761 by order of the select men
Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

may y^e 20th 1761

by vertue of this warrant I have notify the inhabitants of

Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned
Andrew white Constable

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on wednesday y^e 20th day of may 1761 meeting

a vote being requested weather the town would send a Deputy and it past in y^e negitive

- 1) voted m^r Benjaⁿ Kidder moderater for sd meeting
 - 2) voted not to raise money to finish our meeting house
 - 3) voted not to raise money for schooling
 - 4) voted not to act any thing relating to m^r Davises affair concerning a cowe
 - 5) voted not to act any thing relating to y^e old school house by our meeting house
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April y^e 20th 1761

the assessers of the town of Dudley personally appeared before me Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke namely m^r Sam^l Corbin m^r Sam^l fairbanks and m^r Joseph Sabin jun^r and tooke there oaths to the faithfull discharge of there office in taking an invoice for the general court

Dudley may y^e 25th 1761

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of Dudley Andrew white or Joseph Burnul greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on thirsday y^e 4th day of june next at three a clocke after noone then and there to act upon the following articles warrant

Dudley Town Records, 1761.

- 1) to chuse a moderater for sd meeting
- 2) to se if the town will do any thing towards finishing our meeting house and if they do to grant money to defray the charge thereof and also chuse a committee to procure the stuff and to gitt the worke done
- 3) to grant money for schooling and other nessisery charges and also chuse a committee to provide schooling and agree were and how the money shall be spente
- 4) and also that the committee that sold the old school house by our meeting house pay the money to those the house belonged to
and make due return of your proceedings as you will answer your defalt at the peril of the law

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

By vertue of this warrant I have notifiyd the inhabitants of the town of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned
Andrew white Constable

meeting at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on thirsday the 4th day of june 1761

- 1) vote m^r Joseph Sabin moderatar for sd meeting
 - 2) voted not to do any thinge towards finishing our meeting house at presente
 - 3) voted to raise money for schooling
 - 4) voted 30-0-0 lawfull money to defray the charge of schooling the present year
 - 5) voted the select men a committee to provide schooling and to spend the money thats now granted for schooling a fifeth part thats now raisd Between quinebog river and the east school ward at the five placeses as the town agreed upon at our last march meeting a fifeth part at each of those places
 - 6) voted 6-0-0 lawfull money for nessisary charges
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Dudley December 1761 rates made and delivered into the constables hands with warrants for collecting the same

Constable Joseph Burrnuls list to the province rate	87 11-7-1
his list for the minesters rate	24-18-1-1
his list for the wood rate	4-10-8-1
his list for the school rate	17-10-2-0
and his list for the town and county rate	7-12-1-3
and his list for the meeting house rate	55- 2-1-0
Constable Andrew whites list for the province rate	70- 0-0-0
and his list for the minesters rate	19-16-0-0
his list for the wood rate	3-11-4-0
his list for the school rate	13- 8-2-2
and his list for the town and county rate	6- 1-0-1
and his list for the meeting house rate	44-10-5-1

Dudley December y^e 15th 1761

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of Dudley Andrew white or Joseph Burnul greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on tuesday y^e 29th day of this instent at one a clock after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

warrant

- 1) to chuse a moderater for sd meeting
 - 2) to se if the town will proceed to do any thing further to our meeting house either the inside or outside or both
 - 3) and if they do proceed in the affair to chuse a committee to procure the stuff and to gitt the worke done
 - 4) and to grant money to defray the charge thereof
 - 5) to se in whate method y^e the town will dispose of y^e widow richs cloathing
- and make due return of your proceedings as you will answer default at the peril of the law
- By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

Dudley Town Records, 1761-2.

Dudley December y^e 29th 1761

By vertue of this warrant I have notifyd the inhabitants of the town of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned
Andrew white Constable

meeting

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on tuesday y^e 29th of December 1761

- 1) voted m^r Benjaⁿ Kidder moderater for sd meeting
 - 2) voted to do sumthing further towards finishing our meeting house
 - 3) voted to shingle the roofe of our meeting house and to claboard y^e gable ends
 - 4) voted to finish the inside of our meeting house by lathing and plastering the walls and under the great beams
 - 5) voted three men for a committee to gitte the above sd work done to our meeting house namely m^r phinehus mixer m^r John taylor and m^r will^m Cartur and to se that the worke is well done
 - 6) voted 100-0-0 towards finishing our meeting house
 - 7) voted to give the widow richs cloathing to her daughter or daughters
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Dudley February y^e 16th 1762

warrant

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of Dudley Andrew white or Joseph Burnul greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in said town on monday the first day of march next at nine a clocke in the morning then and the to act upon the following articles

- 1) to chuse a moderater for sd meeting
- 2) to chuse town offiesers for the year insueinge

3) to chuse a committee to reckon with the town treasurer Cap^t Newell and also to reckon with the school committees that were chose for the years 1759 and 1760

4) to se if y^e town will except of the highways that have been laid out y^e present year

5) to se if y^e town will agree to move our meeting house to the center of the town or repair it in any other manner then hath been voted

and make due return of this warrant with your doing thereon as you will answer your default at the peril of the law

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

By vertue of this warrant I have notifyd the inhabitants of the town of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned

Andrew white Constable

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on monday y^e first day of march 1762

meeting

1) voted Deacon Newell moderater for sd meeting

2) voted to have five select men

3) voted phinehus mixer select man

4) voted Sam^l Corbin select man

5) voted Benjaⁿ Kidder select man

6) voted Ezra Conant select man

7) voted Sam^l Fairbanks select man

8) voted Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

9) voted and adjurdnd this meeting to the house of m^r will^m

Carturs in Dudley

10) voted the select men to be assessers

11) voted Joseph upham town treasurer

12) voted Andrew Coburn constable for the west end of the town

13) voted Nathan jefferds constable for the east end of the town

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- 14) voted Cap^t Healy sealer of waits and measurs
 - 15) voted Sam^l Kidder sealer of leather
 - 16) voted Lef^t John Curtis culler of shingles
 - 17) voted David Stodder philip Corbin Joseph Healy Nathaniel Healy Cap^t paul Robinson and Sam^l Robinson surveyers of highways
 - 18) voted Timothy Foster and Sam^l may fence vewers
 - 19) voted Daniel Newell and Steven Cartur hogrevs and that swine may go at large
 - 20) voted Eben^r Davison and Sam^l Fairbanks tything men
 - 21) voted Joseph upham Sam^l Corbin and Joseph jewell jun^r wardens
 - 22) voted Eben^r Scott and Joseph Sabin jun^r to take care of the Dear that thers no str]
 - 23) voted Sam^l may Sam^l Fairbanks and jedediah marcy for a committee to recond with Cap^t Newell town treasurer and with the school committees in the years 1759 and 1760 and to bring in there account at our next my meeting
 - 24) voted by the town there exceptance of a highway from Cap^t paul Robinsons to timothy fosters were the foot bridge is over the french river
 - 25) voted not to move our meeting to the center by 39 to 14
 - 26) voted to repair our meeting where it now stands by 29 to 17
- note that the above named officers have taken there oaths as the law directs

Dudley February y^e 24^d 1762

a highway laid out by the select men of sd town begining at the north end of Cap^t paul Robinsons house from thence about a west point acros sd Robinsons corn feild by the south side of a certin stone wall to the town road that gos from Brackits to Sam^l Robinsons cornmill from thence north in sd road to Edward Curtises south line from thence westerly on the divition line Between John Stone and Edward Curtis

the whole of sd road hear to be on Stons land till it coms to sd Curtises southwest corner from thence about northwest to Jacob Bradbery line from thence about west to the east end of the foot bridge over the french river this road hear to be partly on Stons and partly on Bradbery land and so over the river and from the west end of sd bridge westerly on the old dam over the Brook from thence west northwest from thence to the east end of Timothy Fosters house and so to the road laid from there to our meeting house the whole of this road to be 2 rods wide all persons consenting that are concernd in sd road provided the subscribers fullfill there promise this road was brought to our anewell meeting in march 1762 and excepted by the town

Worcester ss to eithere of the constables of the town of Dudley Andrew Coburn or Nathan jeffords greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the the town of Dudley qualifd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on thirsday the 20th day of may instent at one a clocke after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

warrant

1) to chuse a representative to represent our town at the great and jeneral court to be holden at Boston on wednesday the 26th may instent

2) to chuse a moderater for sd meeting

3) to chuse a select man and also a warden in the roome of m^r Sam^l Corbin

4) to grant money for schooling and to agree in how many parts of the town sd money shall be expended

5) to grant money for mending our highways and how sd money shall be workt out and also to agree on some method for repairing the bridges ovr quinibog river

6) to agree on some method and to dispose of the pewes in our meeting house that are at the towns disposal as they shall think proper

Dudley Town Records, 1762.

7) to hear and grant any pition that may then be laid before the town

8) to hear the report of the committee that was chose to reckon with treasurer Samⁿ Newell and with the school comitee

and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon as you will answer your default at the peril of the law

Dudley may y^e 12th 1762

By order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

By vertue of this warrant I have notifyd the inhabitants of the town of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned

Andrew Coburn Constable

town meeting at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on thirsday y^e 20th day of may 1762 and it being askt wether they would send a representative to the general court and the people declind sending as not being ablidge by law to send

- 1) voted m^r Joseph upham moderater for sd meeting
- 2) voted m^r Silas robinson a select man and assessor in the roome of insign Corbin
- 3) voted 30-0-0 lawfull money to defray y^e charge of schooling this year
- 4) voted that the people on the west side quinibog river shall draw there own school money to expend among themselves and the east school ward to draw there own school money as before

and the rest of the school money to be expended in four other parts of the town equely as follows one fourth part at or near Cap^t Healys and one fourth part at the school house by insign Chamberlins and one fourth part at the school house between m^r gores and Ezra Conants and the othere fourth part at m^r philip Corbins or were they propose to build there school house

- 5) voted 40-0-0 for the mending of our highways
- 6) voted that labour at our highways shall be three shilling a day till the last of September and after that at two shillings a day
- 7) voted to dispose of those pewes which was m^r Sam^l Corbins and m^r job ruewes
- 8) voted to m^r phillip Corbin that pewe under the wemans stairs which was m^r Sam^l Corbins on the same footing the other pewes were disposed of he paying y^e first cost
- 9) voted to m^r Jacob Chamberline behind the west meeting house doore that was formerly Cap^t Clement Corbins on the same footing the other pewes were disposed of he paying the first cost
- 10) voted to abate m^r James Shafter and m^r John Scott what there pols were assest at towards repairing our meeting house
- 11) voted and excepted the committees settlement with Cap^t Newell town treasurer
- 12) voted to refer the committees account in settleing withe school committee to our next meeting

Dudley Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of Dudley Andrew Coburn or Nathan jefferds greeting you are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on wednesday y^e 15th day of Sep^r instante at three a clocke after noone then and there to act upon the following articles

warrant

- 1) to chuse some meet person to be regester of Deeds and Conveyances of land for the county of Worcester in the roome of the honourable John Chandler Esq^r late regester Deceast
- 2) to chuse a moderater for s l meeting
- 3) to se if the town will vote to pute the county rate into some other town rate
- 4) to see if the town will agree to set up a sign post near our meeting house whereon to post our notifications

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and make due return of this warrant with your doing thereon
as you will answer your neglect at the peril of the law

Dudley September y^e 1^t 1762

By order of the select men Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

By vertue of this warrant I have notifyd the inhabitants of
the town of Dudley to meet at time and place within mention

Andrew Coburn Constable

meeting

At a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regu-
larly assembled at our meeting house in sd town on the 15 day
of September in 1762

- 1) voted m^r Benjaⁿ Kidder moderater for sd meetinge
 - 2) voted to put our county rate into some other town rate
 - 3) voted to set up a sign post near our meeting house
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warrant

Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of
Dudley Andrew Coburn or Nathan jeflords greeting you
are hearby requird forthwith to warn or notify the several in-
habitants of the town of Dudley qualifyd to vote in town
affairs to meet at our meeting house in sd town on monday the
25th day of october instent at 2 a clocke after noone then
and there to act upon the following articles

- 1) to chuse a moderater for sd meeting
- 2) to se if the town will allow the committees accompt for
finishing our meeting house
- 3) to se if the town will agree to collour our pulpit and
the brest worke of our gallerys

and make due return of your doings thereon as you will
answer your defalt at the peril of the law

by order of the select men

Benjaⁿ Conant Town Clerke

Dudley october y^e 15th 1762

By virtue of this warrant I have notifyd the inhabitants to
meet at time and place within mentioned

Andrew Coburn Constable

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in sd on monday y^e 25th october 1762

meeting

- 1) voted and chose m^r Benjaⁿ Kidder moderater for sd meeting
- 2) voted to adjurn this meetinge from our meeting house to m^r will^m Carturs
- 3) voted by the town there acceptance of the committees accompt as to the finishing our meeting house the cost 624-7-9 old tenor
- 4) voted to colour our pulpit the canopee and the brest work of our gallerys



Dudley November 1762 rates made and deliverd into the constables hands with warrants for collecting the same

Constable Andrew Coburns list for the province rate	84-14-7-2
and his list for the ministers rate	24-1-0-0
his list for the wood rate	4-5-2-1
and his list for the school and county rates	17-18-6-2
Constable Nathan jefferds list for the province rates	72-10-2-2
his list for the minesters rate.	20-18-4-2
his list for the wood rate	3-15-1-1
and his list for the school and county rate	15-7-6-0



Worcester ss to either of the constables of the town of Dudley Andrew Coburn or Nathan Jeffords Greeting you are hearby Required forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting house in said Town on monday y^e 7 Day of March Next at Nine o Clock in y^e morning then and there to act upon the following articles

warrant

- 1) to chuse a moderator for said meeting
- 2ly) to chuse Town officer for the insuing year

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3ly) to Grant money for schooling & also to chuse a Committee to provid schooling the insuing year

4ly) to see what the Town will do Respecting the bridges over Quinebog River

5ly) to grant money for meending our highways and to agree on what method sd money shall be work out

6ly) to Grant Money for Necessary uses

7ly) to hear the Report of the Committee that was chose to Reckon with y^e school Committee

8ly) to hear and Grant anny Petitions that may then be laid fore the Town as far as they shall think proper

9ly) to see if the Town will allow Do^r Waldrons accompt for Doctring the widow Jane Rich

10ly) to see if the Town will agree to pay M^r Benjaⁿ Roth for the pew that was Ensign Sam^l Corbins

and make Return of this warrant with your proceedings thereon as you will answer your defalt at the perrill of the law

Dudley Feb^y y^e 17 1763

Phinehus Mixer	} Selectmen
Benj ⁿ Kidder	
Sam ^{ll} Fairbank	
Silas Robinson	
Ezra Conant	

Worcester Ss In obedience to the within warrant I have Notified the inhabitants of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned

p^r me Nathan Jeffords Constable of Dudley

Dudley February y^e 24 1763

Town meeting At a meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly Assembled at our meeting house in sd Town on monday y^e 7 day of march 1763

1) Voted M^r Benjn Kidder moderator for y^e present meeting

- 2ly Voted to have five Selectmen
- 3ly Voted M^r Benjⁿ Kidder Phinchas mixer Ezra Conant W^m Carter & Sam^l Fairbank Selectmen Dismisd Sam^l Fearbank and chose Silas Robinson in his Rome
- 8 Voted the Select men to be Assessors
- 9 Voted Ezra Conant Town Clerk
- 10ly Voted M^r Benjⁿ Kidder Town Treasurer
- 11ly Voted Sam^l Farbank Constable for the east end of the Town
- 12 Voted Abijah Newell Constable for the west end of the Town
- 13 Voted Mr Eben^r Bacon & Nathan Jefford Wardins for the year insuing
- 14ly Voted Lieut John Curtis Elkanah Day Elijah Gore Sam^l Eames Tim^o Foster & Benjⁿ Dennis surveyors of highways
Voted the surveyors of highways to be Collectors
- 15) Voted Eben^r Scott Archibald Jewell and Eben^r Child tithing men
- 16 Voted Nathan Jefford and Joseph Healey fence Viewers
- 17 Voted Cap^t Healey Sealer of weights & measures
- 18 Voted Sam^l Kidder Sealer of Leather
- 19 Voted that swine go at large
- 20 Voted Benjⁿ Dennis & Jacob Chamberlain Cutters of shingle and Claboards
- 21 Voted Eben^r Scott Deer Reave
- 22 Voted 35 £ for schooling the preson year
- 23 Voted Lieut Curtis Sam^l Robinson Elisha Corbin Nathaniel Healey Andrew Coburn & Joseph Healey a School Committee
- 24 Voted this meeting adjourned to monday the 14 Day of this instant march at twelve oclock then met and adjourned to Wm Carters
- 25 Voted the bridge Near Cap^t Edmunds to be completed for a Cart bridge
- 26ly Voted 40 £ pounds for mending our highways y^e present year

- 27ly Voted highway work at 3 shillings a day from the first of may Next to the last of Sep^t after that at 2 shillings pr day
- 28 Voted not to accept Joseph Vintons accompts as a school committee
- 29 Voted to accept Capt Healey accompt
- 30 Voted to accept Treasurer Joseph Uphams accompt
- 31 Voted to accept Sam^l Robinsons accompt
- 32 Voted not to accept Sam^l Waldrons accompt
- 33 Voted not to pay M^r Benjⁿ Roth for the pew that was M^r Sam^l Corbins
- 34 Voted to open the Road from Deacon Edmunds to the Colony Line as it hath bin Laid out
- 35 Vote to allow Sarah Curtises accompt for nursing M^r Benjⁿ Putney Dec^d
- 36 Voted not to allow Do^r Garfield & Do^r Gleasons accompt for Doctering M^r Putney
- 37 Voted to allow Daniel Coburn 25 dollars towards his accompt for taking care of Phebe Chamberlain in her sickness
- 38 Voted 15 £ for necessary uses
- Note that the above named officers have all taken their oaths
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Town meeting Worcester Ss To either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley Sam^l Fairbank or Abijah Newell Greeting you are hereby Required forthwith to warn or notify the several inhabitants of y^e Town of Dudley qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting house in said Town on thirsday y^e 12 day of May next at four O clock afternoon then and there to act upon the following articles

- 1) to chuse a moderater for said meeting
- 2) to chuse a representative to represent our Town at the Great & General Court to be holden at the Court House in Boston on Wednesday y^e 25 day of May next
- 3) to chuse a Committee to oversee and order the building the bridge near Capt Edmundses over the river

4) to hear and grant any petition that may then be laid before the Town so far as the Town shall think proper and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon as you will answer your default at the peril of the law

By order of the Select men

Ezra Conant Town Clerk

Dudley April y^e 30 1763

By virtue of this warrant I have notified the inhabitants of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned

Abijah Newell Constable



at a meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Dudley reg-^{Town Meeting} ularly assembled at our meeting house on thursday the 12 day of May 1763

- 1) No vote for a Deputy
- 2) Voted Deacon Newell moderater for the present meeting
- 3) Cap^t Healey Cornet Bacon & Dor Elkanah Day a committee for building the bridge over the river near Capt Edmundses
- 4) Voted to abate M^r Sam^l Chubbs meeting house rate



Worcester Ss to either of the Constables of y^e Town of ^{warrant} Dudley Sam^l Fairbank or Abijah Newell Greeting you are hereby required in his Majesties Name to warn or notify the several inhabitants of y^e Town of Dudley qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting house in said Town on Tuesday the ninth day of August 1763 at 5 O clock after noon then and there to act upon the following articles

- 1) to chuse a moderator for said meeting
- 2) to see if the Town will accept of the persons draw^d by the Selectmen to serve as jourors bothe at the Superior Court to be holden at Worcester for said county

and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon

Dudley Town Records, 1763.

as you will answer your default at the peril of the law

By order of the Selectmen

Ezra Conant Town Clerk

Dudley August y^e 1 1763

In obedience to y^e within written warrant I have notiyd the inhabitants of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned.

Sam^l Fairbank Constable

Town meeting At a meeting of the inhabitants of y^e Town of Dudley regularly assembled at our meeting house in said Town on Tuesday y^e 9 day of August 1763

- 1) Vote M^r Benjⁿ Kidder moderator for sd meeting
- 2) Voted & accepted of the persons whose names were the put into boxes for jourors

Perambulation between Woodstock and Dudley April 26 1763 Nath^l Child one of the Selectmen of Woodstock & Eliphelet Carpenter by appointmen met Phinehas Mixer & Ezra Conant Selectmen of Dudley at the southwest corner of Dudley at a heep of stones in Ephraim Bacons stone wall formerly Eliphelet Carpenters hedge fence 2^d to a white oak tree mark^d and stones about it west of Capt Edmundses 3^d a white oak tree mark & stones about it being Woodstock north east corner 4th a white oak with stones about it to the west of s^d corner 5th a hemlock tree in a swamp 6th a stake & stones near Brackits 7 a stake & heep of stones a little S:E of Andrew Coburns on a sid hill 8 a poplar stump with stones about it to the west of s^d Coburns 9 a white oak stump & stones west of a small run in a hedge fence 10 a heep of stones in Nath Bacons fence 11 a heep of stones near a chestnut tree 12 a heep

of stones near a path 13 a large heap of stones near a large white pine tree which is the sothwest corner of Dudley

Nath ^l Child	}	Selectmen
Eliphelet Carpenter		of
by appointment	}	Woodstock
Phinehas Mixer		Selectmen
Ezra Conant	}	of
		Dudley

We the subscribers met on the 3 day of May 1763 & perambulated the line between Oxford and Dudley beginning at a maple tree with stones about it near where the brook runs out of the great pond to M^r Sam^l Robinsons mill & renu^d the bounds from thence to Dudley north east corner which hath bin establish^d from time to time and erected sundry new bounds with the help of the surveyor

Eph ^m Ballard	}	Selectmen
Eben ^r Learned		of
	}	Oxford
Benj ⁿ Kidder		Selectmen
Ezra Conant	}	of
		Dudley

We the subscribers according to a notification given met on the 9 day of May 1763 and perambulated & Renu^d the bounds between Dudley & Charlton beginning at a heap of stones in the north line of Dudley it being the sotheast corner of Charlton thence westerly to a black oak thence to a white oak then to a white oak being M^r Josiph Uphams N : E corner then to a maple in a swamp then to a white oak then to pitch pine with stones about it then to a white oak on the east side M^r Pierponts meddow then to a white oak then to a red oak in s^d Pierponts wall then to a white oak then to a heap of stones near a red oak tree then to a great red oak south of M^r Foskitts then to a walnut tree then to a stump with stones about then to a white & black oak together then to a red oak on the

east side of the great pond then to a gray oak on W: side of y^e pond then to a chestnut tree then to a great black oak on the east sid of the little pond then to a white oak on the west side of s^d pond then to a white oak on the west side of the swamp then to a heep of stones soth of M^r Bloods then to a heep of stones on a rock then to a white oak south of Isaiah Bloods land then to a walnut tree in Eleazer Putneys north line from thence to a white oak then to a stake and stones then to a white oak with stones about it on the hill N: of M^r Joseph Sabinses then to a black oak then to a heep of stones by a crotched red oak then to a large white pine near where trout brook enters into the river then to a heep of stones on the side hill on the west sid of the river then to a white oak tree then to a white oak then to a walnut tree then to a white oak then to a small white oak west of a ledge of rocks then to a heep of stones which is Dudley north west corner and Charlton south west corner

John Dresser	}	Selectmen
Edward Chamberlain		of
Daniel Williams		Cherlton

Phinehas Mixer	}	Selectmen
Ezra Conant		of Dudley

On the 17 day of May 1763 the Selectmen of Sturbridge and Dudley met and perambulated the lines between said Towns begining at a heep of stones which is Dudley N:W corner then run S: 2:° 20m E to the great moniment being Oxford old S:W: corner then E: 8:° 15N to a larg white oak then S: 8:° 30m E 400 rods to Woodstock line to a large heep of stones near a large white pine tree and found bounds every 20

rods on the last line which is suppos^d to be the west line of Vintons farm

Phinehas Mixer } Selectmen of
William Carter } Dudley

Ezra Conant Surveyer

Sam^l Freeman }
Daniel Fisk } Selectmen of
Ezekiel Upham } Sturbridge

the persons hereafter mentioned mooved out of Smithfield in Rhod Island government into our Town in the year 1769 viz Caleb Smith and his wife Martha Smith and their children Patience & William Shadrick Russel & Caleb-and Samuel Cook and his wife Sarah Cook and their children Juday Joseph Tamer Lydia Eli & Sarah and Suruiah Sayls

Dudley March y^e 19th 1768 then I the subscriber having Received one pound four shillings in full of my Right for my labour a building of that pue on the east side ef the pulpett in the meeting house in Dudley I quit my Right to Edward Davis of Dudley as witness my hand

Ebenezer Edmunds

Ebenezer Edmunds Jun^r
Cornelius White

Worcester ss to either of Constable of the Town of Dudley Sam^l Fairbank or Abijah Newell Greeting you are hereby Required forthwith to warn or Notify the several inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualified to Vote in Town

Warrant

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affairs to meet at our meeting house in said Town on Wednesday y^e 23 Day of November courant at three oClock after noon then and there to act upon the following article

- 1) to Chuse a moderator for said meeting
- 2) to see what addition the Town will make to y^e Rev^d M^r Gleasons salery
- 3) to see if the Town will agree to send a petition to the General Court for a committee to establish the line at the east end of our Town

4) to hear and allow any accompts that may then be laid before the Town if they think proper

and make Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon as you will answer your Neglect at the peril of y^e Law

By order of y^e Select men

Ezra Conant Town Clerk

Return Dudley November y^e 23 :1763

In obedience to this warrant I have Notified the inhabitants of this Town to meet at time and place within mentioned

pr me Abijah Newell Constable

Town meeting at a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting house in said Town on wednesday 23 November 1763

1) Voted Deacon Jonathan Newell moderator for said meeting

Mr gleasons
grant

2) Voted to add so much to y^e Rev^d M^r Gleasons salery as to make the whole £53 6 8

3) Voted to do nothing Respecting the east bound of our Town

4) Voted not to allow any accompts at present for Do^r Phebe Chamberlain

Rates made made and Deliver^d to y^e Constables of Dudley
 Decem^r y^e 2 :1763 Viz

Constable Fairbanks Province List	£48	4	9¼
his minister Rate	24	5	2¾
Wood rate	3	13	7½
School Rate	16	0	6¾
Town & County Rate	8	12	11½
Constable Newells Province List	56	14	2¾
his minister Rate	28	5	9½
Wood Rate	4	1	5¼
School Rate	18	17	1¾
Town & County Rate	19	1	5¼

Worcester ss To Either of the Constables of the Town
 of Dudley Sam^l Fairbank or Abijah Newell Greeting you
 are hereby Required forthwith to Warn or Notify the several
 Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Qualified to Vote in Town
 affairs to meet at our meeting house in said Town on monday
 y^e 5 Day of march Next at 9 oClock in the morning then
 and there to act upon the following articles

warrant

- 1) to Chuse a moderator for said meeting
- 2) to Chuse Town officers for the insuing Year
- 3) to see what money the Town will grant for mending
 our high ways and in what method the same shall be workt out
- 4) to see if the Town will agree that Swine may go at Large
 this Year
- 5) to if the Town will Discontinue the Road between
 Decⁿ Jacob Bradburies & John Stones and also accept of any
 other Road that may then be Laid before the Town
- 6) to hear and Answer any Petition or Petitions that may
 then be laid before the Town
- 7) to see if the Town will accept of the Road as it is Now
 trod through Capt Sam^l Newells Land and Discontinue part
 of the Road as it was formerly Laid out

Hereof fail not as You will Answer your Default at the peril

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of y^e Law Given under our hand at Dudley this 14 day of
March 1764

Return made by Sam^l Fairbank Constable

Town meeting at A meeting of y^e inhabitants of the Town of Dudley regu-
larly Assembled at our meeting house in said Town on monday
ye 5 day of march 1764

- 1) Voted Phinehas Mixer moderator for said meeting
- 2) Voted Ezra Conant Town Clerk
- 3) Voted to have 5 Select men
- 4) Voted Phinehas Mixer Sam^l Fairbank W^m Carter
Joshua Vinton & Sam^l Robinson Select men
- 5) Voted the Selectmen to be Assessors
- 6) Voted Benjⁿ Kidder Town Treasurer
- 7) Voted Joseph Healey west end Constable
- 8) Voted Joshua Wetherel est end Constable
- 9) Voted Philip Corbin & Joseph Sabin Jun^r Wardins
- 10) Voted Elijah Gore and Andrew White Tithing men
- 11) Voted Jacob Bradbury Nathan Jeffords Andrew Coburn
Jun^r Jacob Chamberlain Elisha Corbin & Thomas Gould
Surveyors of highways
- 12) Voted Capt Joshua Healey Seler of weights & measures
- 13) Voted Sam^l Kidder Sealer of Leather
- 14) Voted Silas Robinson & Benjⁿ Dennis Cullers of
shingles clabords
- 15) Voted Jedediah Marcy & Elisha Corbin fence Viewers
- 16) Voted Eben^r Scott Deer Reif
- 17) Voted Benjⁿ Dennis & Stephen Carter Cullars of hoops
and Staves
- 18) Voted Ephraim Corbin & Eben^r Bacon Jun^r hog Reivs
- 19) Voted to raise 40 £ for mending our highways
- 18) Voted Labour to be at o:2:6 pr Day from the first of
April to Last of Sep^t
- 19) Voted that Swine may Run at Large

20) Voted to Discontinue the Road between Jacob Bradburies & John Stones

21) Vote to accept the Road that is Laid out though John Brackitts & John Stones Land

22) Voted to Give M^r Robins of Douglas £1 :0 :0 for taking Care of Phebe Chamberlain part of her Last Sickness

23) Voted not allow M : D Greens accompts for Doctering Phebe Chamberlain

24) Voted to Discontinue the Road as it was formerly Laid and accept it as it Now trod from Capt Sam^l Newells to Daniel Newells

25) Voted to discontinue the Road as it was formerly Laid and accept it as it is Now trod from Silas Robinsons to Noah Halls

Paul Robinson hath Enter^d his Decent against the proceedings of the within meeting

The Officers within mention^d have all taken their oaths Except Philip Corbin & Elijah Gore

A highway Laid out and accepted by the Town begining at the West End of the Lane that Comes from Paul Robinsons to John Brackitts and Runs 46 Rods a straight Course on said Brackitts Land partly on Land that Brackit purchased of Amidown then Runing upon Mr Stones Land about 3 or 4 Rods then W : N : W a Crost an old field from thence N : N : W in the most convenient place on the Brow of the hill till Comes to Deacon Bradburies Land then west on Deaⁿ Bradburies Land till it Comes to the bridge the whole of the Road to be 2 Rods wide

Worcester ss to Joseph Healey one of the Constables of Dudley Greeting

In his Majesties Name you are Required to warn Eben^r

Searls & Hannah Searls his wife so called to Depart the Town of Dudley forthwith they being Stagling persons and Residing in said Dudley at the House of Eben^r Griggses and you are also Required to make Return of this warrant and your Doings thereon to us the Subscribers as soon as may be given under our hands and seal at Dudley afforesaid this 5 Day of April 1764

persuant to the within written I have made Dilligent Search for the with named Eben^r Searls and he is not to be found I have warnd the within Named Hannah Searls to Depart out of Dudley forthwith

Joseph Healey Constable

Dudley April y^e 5 :1764

Warrant

Worcester ss To Joseph Healey one of the Constables of the Town of Duley in the County of Worcester greeting you are in his Majesties Name Required forthwith to warn or Notify the severall inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Qualified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting house in said Town on monday the 16 day of April instant at three O Clock after noon then and there to act upon the following articles

- 1) to chuse a moderator for said meeting
 - 2) to See if the Town will grant Daniel Coburn a further Consideration for taking Care of Phebe Chamberlain when sick
 - 3) to See if the Town will Excuse Philip Corbin & Elijah Gore from paying their fines for Refusing to Serve in the offices where to they have bin Chosen
 - 4) to See if the Town will agree and Chuse other persons to Serve in the Rome of M^r Corbin & Gore
 - 5) to hear and grant any petition or petitions that may then be Laid before them if they shall think fit
- hereof fail not and make Return of this warrant with your

doing hereon as you will answer your Default at the peril of
y^e Law

Dated at Dudley y^e 2 Day of April AD 1764

Phinehas Mixer	} Select men of Dudley
Joshua Vinton	
Sam ^l Robinson	

Persuent to the within written I have Notified the inhabi-
tants of the Town of Dudley to meet at time and place within
mention^d

Pr Joshua wetherel Constable

Dudley April 16 : 1764

At a meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Town meeting
Assembled at our meeting house in said Dudley on monday
the 16 day of April AD 1764

- 1) Voted M^r Benjn Kidder moderator
- 2) Voted Not to allow Daniel Coburn a further Consideration
for taking Care of Phebe Chamberlain when sick
- 3) Voted to Dismiss Philip Corbin & Chose Benjⁿ Dennis
to Serve in his Rome
- 4) Voted to Dismis Elijah gore & Chose Jonathan Hibberd
in his Rome
- 5) Voted to allow Timothy Foster £o : 13 : 0 out of the high-
way Rate for his Repairing the great bridge the Last year
the above Named Benjⁿ Dennis & Jonathan Hibberd have
taken their oaths

Worcester ss To Joshua Wetherel one of the Constables Warrant
of the Town in s^d County greeting In his Majesties Name
you are hereby Required forthwith to warn or Notify the
several Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Duly Qualified to
Vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting house in s^d Town
on Wednesday the 23 Day of May Instant at 2 o Clock after

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Noon then and there to act upon the following articles

- 1) to Chuse a Representative to Serve at the great and general Court to be holden at Concord
 - 2) to Chuse a moderator for Said meeting
 - 3) to See what money the Town will grant to Defray the Charge of Schooling for the present Year
 - 4) to See if the Town will Chuse a Committee to provid Schooling for the present Year
 - 5) to Chuse a Surveyer of wheat and flour
- hereof fail not as you will Answer your your Default and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon given under our hands this 15 Day of May AD 1764

Phinehas Mixer	}	Select men
Sam ^l Fairbank		
Sam ^l Robinson		
Joshua Vinton		

In obedience I have Notified the inhabitants of this Town of Dudley to meet at Time and place within mention^d

p^r Joshua Wetherel Constable

Dudley May y^e 23 :1764

meeting

At a meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly Assembled at our meeting house in s^d Town on Wednesday y^e 23 day of May 1764

- 1) no Duputy Chose
 - 2) Chose M^r Joseph Upham moderator
 - 3) Voted 35 £ for Schooling
 - 4) Paul Robinson Abijah Newell Jedidiah Marcy Thomas Sawyer Daniel Newell & Sam^l Eames a Committee to provid Schooling for the present year
 - 5) Voted Eben^r Bacon Surveyer wheet & flower
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Worcester ss to Either of the Constables of the Town of

Dudley Joseph Healey or Joshua Wetherel Greeting you are hereby Required forthwith to warn or Notify the Several inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Qualified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting house in said Town on monday the Seventh Day of Jan^{ry} Next at two o Clock after Noon then and there to act upon the following Articles

1) to Chuse a moderator for said meeting

2) to grant money for Necessary uses

and make Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon as you will answer you Default at the peril of the Law

By order of the Select men

Ezra Conant Town Clerk

Dudley Decem^r 24th 1764

In obedience to the above warrant I have Notified the inhabitants of Dudley to meet at Time and place within mentioend

Joseph Healey Constable

Dudley Jan^r 7 :1765

At a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at at our meeting house in Said on monday the 7 Day of Jan^{ry} 1765

1) Voted M^r Phinehas Mixer Moderator for Said meeting

2) Voted to adjourn the meeting to monday the 14 of this instant Jan^{ry} 1765 and then met

3) adjourned to W^m Carters

4) Voted Nine pounds for Necessary uses

February 12th 1765. Then received Ten pounds in full of my Salary, and Wood-Rate to the First day of March 1764.

P^r Charles Gleason

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Rates made and Deliver:^d to the Constables of Dudley
Decem^r 1764

Province Rate for the west end of y ^e Town	£ 58	8	10:3
Province Rate for the east end of y ^e Town is	46	7	7:3
Ministers Rate for the west end of the Town is	28	15	11:1
Wood Rate for the west end end	4	18	2:2
Ministers Rate for the east end	24	11	0:3
Wood Rate for the east end	3	16	10:2
School Rate for the west end	19	8	2:1
County Rate for the west end	2	18	
School Rate for the east end	15	13	9:1
County Rate for the east end	2	16	11:1
Town Rate for the west end	5	0	1
Town Rate for the east end	4	0	1

Warrant

Worcester ss to Joshua Wetherel one of the Constables of Dudley in Said County Greeting you are hereby Required in his Majesties Name forthwith to warn or Notify the Several Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting house in said Dudley on monday the 4 Day of March Next at Nine o Clock in the morning the and there to act upon the following articles viz

- 1) to Chuse a moderator for said meeting
- 2) to Chuse town officers for the insuing year as the Law Directs
- 3) to See if the Town agree to let their Swine go a large
- 4) to See what Sum or Sums of money the Town will grant for mending our highways the insuing Year
- 5) to See what Sum or Sums of money the Town will grant for Necessary uses the insuing Year
- 6) for the Town to hear and grant any petitions that may then be laid before them as shall think fitt when met hereof fail not and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon as you will Answer your Default at the

peril of the Law given under our hand at Dudley
Dudley the 12 Day of Feb^{ry} AD 1765

Phinehas Mixer	} Select men
Sam ^l Fairbank	
W ^m Carter	
Sam ^l Robinson	

Worcester ss In obedience to this warrant I have Notify^d
the inhabitants of Dudley to meet at Time and place within
mention^d

Joshua Wetherel Constable of Dudley

March y^e 4:1765

at a meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Dudley
Qualified to Vote in Town affairs March 4:1765

meeting

- 1) Voted Phinehas Mixer moderator
- 2) Voted Ezra Conant Town Clerk
- 3) Voted to have five select men
- 4) Voted Phinehas Mixer first select man
- 5) Voted Ezra Conant second select man
- 6) Voted Sam^l Fairbank third select man
- 7) Voted W^m Carter 4 select man
- 8) Voted Abijah Newell 5 select man
- 9) Voted the select men to be Assessors
- 10) Voted Jedediah Marcy Town Treasurer
- 11) Voted Philip Newell junr west Constable
- 12) Voted Edward Curtis east end Constable
- 13) Voted Joseph Vinton & Elisha Corbin Wardens
- 14) Voted Philip Corbin and Nathaniel Healey Tithing men
- 15) Voted Joseph Vinton Nathan Dennis Sam^l Eames John
Brack and Joseph Edmunds Jun^r surveyors of highways
- 16) Voted the Surveyors to be Collectors
- 17) Voted Cap^t Joshua Healy sealer of weights and measurs
- 18) Sam^l Kidder sealer of Leather
- 19) Voted Joshua Wetherel Culler of Shingles and Claboards
Shingles
- 20) Voted Elisha Corbin and Joseph Sabin Jun^r fence
Viewers

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- 21) Voted Sam^l Robinson and Eben^r Scott Deer Rieves
- 22) Voted Josiah Conant Cullar of Staves and hoops
- 23) Voted Noah Hall and Isaac Chase hog Rieves
- 24) Voted Eben^r Bacon Survey of wheet and four
- 25) Voted that Swine go at Large this Year
- 26) Voted 40 £ for mending our highways this Year
- 27) Voted 8 £ for Necessary uses

The above Named Officers have taken their Respective oaths

Warrant

Worcester ss to either of the Constables of the Town of
 Dudley Philip Newell Jun^r or Edward Curtis Greeting you
 are hereby Required in his Majesties Name forthwith to warn
 or Notify the Several inhabitants of Said Dudley Qualified to
 Vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting House in Said
 Town on monday the eighteenth Day of March instant at one
 o Clock after Noon then and there to act upon the follow-
 ing articles

- 1) to Chuse a moderator for said meeting
- 2)ly to See if the Town will agree to purchas the Indian
 Land of Edward Davis Esq^r on his proposals or otherwise as
 my may be agreed on and if the Town Shall agree to pur-
 chas the Same then to grant Money to Defray the Charge there
 of and act in all Causes Respecting Said Land as the Town
 Shall See fitt when met

hear of fail not and make due Return of this Warrant with
 your Doings thereon as you answer your Default at the peril
 of the Law given under our hands & Seal at Dudley this 5
 Day of March AD 1765

Phinhas Mixer	}	Select men
Ezra Conant	}	
Sam ^l Fairbank	}	
W ^m Carter	}	

Worcester ss Dudley March y^e 18:1765 In obedience
 to this warrant I have Notified the Several Inhabitants of the

Town Dudley Qulified to vote in Town affair to meet at time
place within mentioend

p^r me Edward Curtis Constable of Dudley

at a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley
Regularly assembled at our meet house In Said Town on
mond the eighteenth Day of march 1765

meeting

- 1) Voted Phinehas Mixer moderator for Said meeting
- 2) Voted not to purchas the Indian Land of Edward
Davis Esq^r

Worcester ss to either of the Constables of the Town of
Dudley Philip Newell Jun^r or Edward Curtis Greeting In
his Majesties Name you are hereby Required forthwith to
warn or notify the Several inhabitants of the Town of Dudley
Qualified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting
House in S^d Dudley on Tuesday the 21 Day of May Instant
at two O clock after noon the and there to act upon the
following articles

Warrant

1) to Chuse a Representative to Serve for and Represent
our Town at the great and general Court to be holden at the
Court house in Boston on wednesday the 29 Day of May in-
stant

2)ly to Chuse a mo lerator for S^d meeting

3ly to See what Sum or Sums of money the Town will
grant to Defray the Charge of Schooling the present Year

4ly to See at what price p^r Day the Town will agree that
our highway Rate shall be work^t out the present Year

5ly to See if the Town will hear and grant any petition
that may then be Laid before them

here of fail not and make Return of this warrant with Your
Doings there on as you will answer your Default at the peril
of the Law given under our hands and Seal at Dudley
this Sixth Day of May AD 1765

In obedience to this warrant I have Notified the Inhabitants

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the Town that are Duly qualified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at Time and place within mention^d

p^r Edward Curtis Constable of Dudley

Town meeting At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting house in S^d Town on Tuesday the 21 Day of May AD 1765

1) Elected no person to Represen our Town at the great and general Court to be holden at Boston the present Year

2ly Voted M^r Phinehas Mixer moderator for Said meeting

3ly Voted 30£ to Defray the Charge of Schooling the present Year

4ly Voted that our highway Rate be workt out at 2 / 6 p^r Day till the Last of August and after that at 1 / 6 p^r Day

Dudley November 1765 Rates made and Deliverd to the Constables of Said Town

Constable Philip Newell Province List is	£59	5	4½
his ministers List is	27	10	0¼
his wood list	4	1	2¾
his School List is	16	6	9¾
his Town & County List	7	9	10½
Constable Curtis's Province List is	53	7	3¾
his minister	26	6	2
his wood List	4	1	5¼
his School List is	14	4	0¾
his Town & County List	6	5	8½

Worcester ss to Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley Philip Newell Jun^r or Edward Curtis greet- ing you are hereby Required in his Majesties Name to

Warn or Notify the Severall inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Qualified Vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting house in said Town on monday the third Day of March next at 9 o Clock in the morning then and there to act upon the following articles

- 1) to Chuse a moderator for Said meeting
- 2) to Chuse Town officers for the insuing Year
- 3) to Grant money for mending our highways and agree in what manner the Same Shall be work out
- 4) to grant money to Defray the Charge of Schooling the insuing Year.
- 5) to hear and grant any Petition that may then be laid before the Town as far as may be thought fitt
- 6) to See if the Town will agree that their Swine may go at Large
- 7) to Chuse a Rigestor of Deeds for the County of Worcester
- 8) to accept of any Roads that have bin Laid out the Year past

And make Return of this Warrant with Your Doings hereon as you will answer your Default at the peril of the Law given under our hands & Seal at Dudley this 10 Day of Feb^{ry} AD 1766

Phinehas Mixer }
W^m Carter } Selectmen
Abijah Newell }

In Obediance to the foregoing warrant I have Notified the Inhabitants of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned

p^r me Philip Newell Constable

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting house in Said Town on monday the third day of march AD 1766

- 1) Voted Cap^t John Curtis moderator for Said meeting

- 2) Voted Ezra Conant Town Clerk
- 3) Voted to have 5 select men
- 4) Voted Joseph Upham 1 select man
- 5) Voted abijah Newell 2 select man
- 6) Voted Joseph Sabin Jun^r 3 select man
- 7) Voted And^r White 4 select man
- 8) Voted Elkanah Day 5 select man
- 9) Voted the select men to be Assessors
- 10) Voted Jedidiah Marcy Town Treasurer
- 11) Voted Eleazer Putney Constable for the west end of the Town
- 12) Voted W^m Wakefield Constable for the east end of the Town
- 13) Voted Jacob Chamberⁿ and Sam^l Lamb Wardens
- 14) Voted Archibald Jewell & Sam^l Eames Tithing men
- 15) Voted W^m Carter Elijah Gore Joseph Sabin Jun^r Nath^l Healey and Edward Curtis Surveyors of highways
- 16) Voted the Surveys to be Collectors
- 17) Voted Philip Corbin and Archibald Jewell fence Viewers
- 18) Voted Cap^t Joshua Healey Sealer of weights and measures
- 19) Voted Sam^l Lamb Sealer of Leather
- 20) Voted Cap^t John Curtis Culler of Shillings and Clabords
- 21) Voted Jacob Chamberlan Surveyor of wheat
- 22) Voted Josiah Conant Culler of Staves
- 23) Voted Eben^r Scott Deer Rief
- 24) Voted Josiah Conant & Lemuel Corbin hog Rieves
- 25) Voted that Swine may go at Large
- 26) Voted 50 £ for mending our highways
- 27) Voted that the highway Rate be workt out at 3 shillings p^r Day— and to be workt out by the Last of Sept next
- 28) Voted 40 £ to Defray the Charge of Schooling
- 29) Voted to abate Joseph Bakers Rates that are in Constable Andrew Coburns hands John Coburns Rates that are Joseph Healeys hands

30) Voted to allow Cap^t Heleys accompt for Service Done at the great Bridge Sum total is 3 1 4½

31) Voted to allow M^r Eben^r Bacons accompt for Service Done at Said Bridge near Cap^t Edmunds Sum total is 1 13 10

32) Voted to Allow D^r Elkanah Days accompt for Service Done at the Bridge near Cap^t Edmundses total 1 6 3

33) Voted to allow And^r Coburn for 600 feet of plank Deliver at the above Said Bridge 1 11 6

34) Voted that Sam^l Kidder & Philip Newell Jun^r be Discharg^d from all highway Rates the present Year

35) Voted to allow Ezra Green Esq for three Sticks of timber Cut on his Land for the great Bridge 0 4 0

36) Voted to accept the Road Laid out from Ensign Fosters a Cross by Lieu^t Sam^l Fairbanks to the Road that goes from M^r Isaac Humphreys to m^r Robinsons mill as is hereafter Discribd

the above Named^r officer have taken ther Respective Oaths Except W^m Wakefield & Lem^l Corbin

A highway Laid out by the Select men of Dudley and accepted by the Town—begining at the Town Road a little above Ensign Fosters house at a Black oak tree markt then Extending Easterly by the South Side of Said Fairbanks house then turning about n:E to a Certain Dug-way a wall being on the East Side of S^d way So Extending as the way is now trod to a Certain Brook from thence assending a hill to a white oak tree markt being west of the N: from where it Crosses the Brook then extending N: to the Edge of a pine hill and then turning westerly till it Reaches m^r Humphreys Land then Extend near north to a Road formerly Laid out from Dudley meeting house to Robinson mill

Laid out Feb^{ry} AD 1766

Ezra Conant }
W^m Carter } Selectmen
Sam^l Fairbank }

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Constable Edward Curtis In his Majesties Name you are hereby Required forthwith to Warn Richard More & Margaret More his Wife & Mary his Daughter & Jonathan Williams Isaac Leavens & Mehitabel his wife & Serviah his Daughter forthwith to Depart out of this Town of Dudley

and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings hereon to our Seves the Subscribers forthwith

Dudley March y^e 11 1766

Fee 0:9:4	Joseph Upham	} Selectmen
	Abijah Newell	
	Joseph Sabin jun ^r	
	Elkanah Day	
	Andrew White	

Worcester ss By Virtue of this Warrant I have Warn^d the Several persons within Named to Depart out of this Town forthwith

p^r me Edward Curtis Constable for Dudley

Constable Edward Curtis you are hereby forthwith Required in his Majesties Name to warn all those persons hereafter mentioned forthwith to Depart out of this Town of Dudley (viz) Andrew Brown & his Wife Anna Brown and his Children John Philip William James Charles Esther Nansey & Hannah

and make Due Return of this warrant with your proceedings therein to us the Subscribers forthwith as you will answer your Default at the peril of the Law

Dudley March y^e 11 :1766

Fee £0:14:4	Joseph Upham	} Selectmen
	Abijah Newell	
	Joseph Sabin Jun ^r	
	Andrew White	
	Elkanah Day	

Worcester ss By Virtue of this writ I have Warned the

Several persons within Named forthwith to Depart out of this Town

p^r me Edward Curtis Constable for Dudley

Constable Eleazer Putney you are hereby Required in his Majesties Name forthwith to warn all those persons hereafter mentioned forthwith to Depart out of this Town of Dudley (viz) John Wiley & his Wife Susannah Wiley and his Children Aldridg Wiley Joseph & Benjⁿ Wiley & Mary Dodge Rachel Fling Sam^l More & Zeruah his Wife Joseph Leavens & Ezra their Children and Susannah Stoddard & William & Betty Wiley

and make Due Return of this Warrant with your proceedings therein to us the Subscribers hereof without fail forthwith to us as you will answer your Default at the peril of the Law

Dudley March y^e 16 : 1766

Joseph Upham	}	Selectmen
Abijah Newell		
Joseph Sabin Jun ^r		
Andrew White		
Elkanah Day		

Dudley March y^e 26 : 1766 In Obediance to this Warrant I have Warned the persons within mentioned to Depart out of this Town

p^r me Eleazer Putney Constable

Worcester ss to Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley Eleazer Putney or Edward Curtis greeting in his Majesties Name you are hereby Required forthwith to warn or Notify the Several Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Qualified to in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in S^d Town on wednesday the 26 Day of March instant at 2 o Clock after noon then and there to act upon the following articles

- 1) to Chuse a moderator for said meeting

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2ly to See if the Town will Dismis W^m Wakefield from Serving Constable and Chuse another in his place or to accept Such person as the Said Wakefield Shall bring or present to the Town to Serve for him

and make Return of this warrant as you will answer your Default at the peril of the Law

Dudley March y^e 11 : 1766

Joseph Upham	} Selectmen
Joseph Sabin Jun ^r	
Andrew White	

Dudley March the 26 1766 In obedience to this warrant I have warnd the inhabitants of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentiond

Eleazer Putney Constable

at a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley March 26 1766

- 1) Voted Joseph Upham moderator for Said meeting
- 2) Voted and adjourn'd the meeting to monday the 31 day of March instant and then meet
- 3ly Voted & Chose Edward Davis to Serve Constable for W^m Wakefield who hath take the oath of office

Worcester ss to Edward Davis Constable of Dudley in S^d County greeting you are hereby Required in his Majesties Name forthwith to warn or Notify the Several Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Qualified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting house in S^d Dudley on monday the 19 Day of May ins^t at three o Clock after Noon then & there to act upon the following articles

- 1) to Chuse a Representative to Serve at the great & General Court or assembly to be Convend & held for his Ma-

jesties Service at the Court house in Boston upon wednesday the 28 day of May ins^t

- 2) to Chuse a moderator for S^d meeting
- 3) to See what Sum or Sums of money the Town will grant to Defray Necessary Charges for the present Year
- 4 to See what methods or measures the Town will Take to Repair the Bridge over the French River to Sam^l Robinsons mill

hereof fail not & make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon as you will answer your Defect at the peril of the Law givin under our hands & Seal at Dudley this 10 Day of May AD 1766

Joseph Upham }
And^r White } Select men
Elkanah Day }

In obedience to this warrant I have Notified the Inhabitants of Dudley to meet at time & place within mentioned

Dudley May 19th 1766

p^r me Edward Davis Constable

at a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley regularly Assembled at our meeting on monday the 19 Day of May AD 1766

- 1) Made no Choice of a Representative
- 2) Voted Joseph Upham moderator for S^d meeting
- 3) Voted not to Rase money for Necessary uses
- 4) Joseph Upham Joseph Davis & Sam^l Fairbank to View the above mentiond Bridge & make Report at our next meeting

Worcester ss to either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley Eleazer Putney or Edward Davis greeting you are hereby Required in his Majesties Name forthwith to warn or

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Notify the Several Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Qualified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting house in S^d Town on Tuesday the seventeenth Day of June instant at 3 o Clock after noon then and there to act upon the the following Articles

- 1) to Chuse a moderator for S^d meeting
- 2) to See if the Town will Chuse a School Committee to Serve the Town for the present Year
- 3) to See what Sum of money the Town will grant to Defray the Necessary Charges for the present Year
- 4) to hear the Report of the Committee that was Chose for to View the great Bridge over the french River and to see method the Town will agree to in Repairing S^d Bridge and make Return of this Warrant with Your Doing thereon to us the Select men on or by S^d Day as you will answer your Default at the peril of the Law

Dudley June y^e 3 1766

Joseph Upham	}	Select men
Joseph Sabin Jun ^r		
Elkanah Day		

Dudley June 17th 1766

In obedience to this warrent I have warned the persons within mentioned to meet at time and place within mentioned by siting this warrent up at the meeting hous as the Law Directs

p^r Edward Davis Constable

at a meeting of the Inhabitants of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting house in S^d Town on Tuesday 17 Day of June 1766

- 1) Voted Jonathan Newell moderator for S^d meeting
- 2) Voted Jacob Bradbury Philip Corbin Acibald Jewell Nath^l Healey Joseph Healey & Elisha Sabin a Committee to provide Schooling the present Year
- 3) Voted not to Raise money for Necessary uses

4) Voted Sam^l Fairbank Andrew White & Joseph Davis
a Committee to over see the Building the great Bridge over
the french River

Worcester ss to Edward Davis of Dudley in s^d County
Constable you are hereby in his Majesties Name Required
forthwith to warn or Notify the Several Inhabitants of Dudley
Qualified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting
house in s^d Dudley on tuesday the eighth Day of July Next at
four O clock after Noon then & there to act upon the fol-
lowing articles

- 1) to Chuse a moderator for S^d meeting
- 2) to Chuse County Rigester
- 3) to See what Sum of money the Town will grant to
Defray the Necessary Charges for the present Year
and make Return of this warrant to us the Subscribers
Dudley June y^e 24 1766

Abijah Newell }
Elkanah Day } Select men
Joseph Sabin }

at a meeting of the Inhabitants of Dudley July y^e 8 1766

- 1) Voted Eben^r Bacon moderator for S^d meeting
 - 2^dly Voted twenty pounds to Defray the Necessary Charges
the present Year
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We the Subscribers have on this 8th Day of May AD 1766
met and perambulated the Bounds Between Oxford & Dudley
and Renew^d Said Bounds from a maple tree where the Brook

Dudley Town Records, 1766.

runs out of Chaugumagungamug pond till we Came to the South East Corner of Charlton Distrect

as witness our hands

Eben ^r Learned	}	Select men of Oxford
Eph ^m Ballard		
Joseph Upham	}	Select men of Dudley
Andrew White		

We the Subscribers according to a Notification given met on the 22 Day of May AD 1766 perambulated and Renewd the Bounds Between Dudley & Charlton begining at a heap of Stones on the North Line of Dudley it being at the South East Corner of Charlton Ending at Dudley Northwest Corner and Charlton Southwest Corner

Joseph Upham	}	Select men of Dudley
Andrew White		
Sam ^l Chamberlain	}	Select men of Charlton
Nehemiah Stone		

Worcester ss To Edward Davis Constable of the Town of Dudley in s^d County Greeting you are hereby in his Majesties Name forthwith to warn or Notify the Several Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Qualified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting house in S^d Dudley on monday the 22 Day of Sep^r Ins^t at 2 O Clock after Noon then and there to act upon the following articles (Viz)

- 1) to Chuse a moderator for Said meeting
- 2) to hear the Report of the Committee Chose at a meeting in June Last having the over Sight of working out ten pounds in bulding a bridge over the french River Leading from our meeting house to Sam^l Robinsons
- 3dly to See if the Town will grant any money for Compleating or finishing S^d Bridge

4ly to See if the Town will grant any petition or petitions then Laid before them

Hereof fail not & make Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon as you will answer your Defect at the peril of the Law

givin under our hands & Seal at Dudley this 12 Day of Sep^t AD 1766

And^r White }
Elkanah Day } Selectmen
Abijah Newell }

Dudley Sep^t 22 1766

In obedience to this warrant I have Notity^d the inhabitants of S^d Dudley to meet at time & place within mentioned

Pr Edward Davis Constable

at a meeting Regularly assembled at our meeting house in s^d Dudley Sep^t 22 1766

- 1) Voted Jacob Bradbury moderator for s^d meeting
- 2) Voted their acceptance of the Committees Report
- 3) Voted ten pounds for finishing the above mentioned Bridge
- 4) Voted to Discount Seven Shillings in Sam^l Robinsons highway Rate for what he over paid the Last Year

On the 19th of November 1766 the Select men of Dudley and Sturbridge met at the N:W Corner of Dudley which is also the S:W Corner of Cherlton from thence Run S 2°:30^m E 439 Rods to the great monement & Set up Stake Every 20 Rods from thence E 9°:N 451 Rods to a white oak tree markt with Stones about it & Set up Stake Every 20 Rods from thence S 8°:30 E 400 Rods to a Large heep of Stones in

Dudley Town Records, 1766-1767.

Woodstock North Lane & Renew^d Bounds Every 20 Rods

Abijah Newell } Select men
Joseph Sabin Jur^r } of Dudley

Sam^l Freeman } Select men
Joseph Cheney } of Sturbridge

Rec^d of M^r Jedidiah Marcy Town Treasurer the Sum of Fifty three pounds six shillings & eight pence in full of Salery From March y^e 1 1764 to March 1st 1765 and the Sum of Eight pound in full of my wood Rate for the Same Year

Dudley March 1st 1766

p^r Charles Gleason

Warrant

Worcester ss to Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley viz) Edward Davis or Eleazer Putney Greeting In his Majesties Name you are Required forthwith to warn the Several Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Duly Qualified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting House in S^d Dudley on monday the Second Day of March Next at 9 O Clock in the forenoon then and there to act on the following articles

1st to Chuse a moderator for S^d meeting

2ly to Chuse Town officers for the Year insuing as the Law Directs

3ly to See if the Town will abate M^r Sam^l Robinsons Rates to the Minister for the Towo years past provided he pay his othe Rate of his whole Estate for the Future to this Town

4ly to See what method the Town will Come into to mend the highways this present Year and to Rase money to Defray the Charge of the Same

5ly to See if the Town will allow Swine to Run at Large

6ly to See if the Town will Come into any method to Build a work House in S^d Town

7ly to See if the Town will hear and Grant any Petition or Petitions then Laid before them

and make Return of this warrant with your Doing thereon as given under our hands & Seal this 13 Day of Feb^{ry} 1767

Joseph Upham }
Elkanah Day } Selectmen
And^r White }

Worcester ss Dudley March y^e 2 : 1767 In obedience to this within warrant I have warnd the Several inhabitants within mentioned to meet at Time and place within mentioned by Sitting a warrant up at the meeting house as usual

p^r Edward Davis Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley ^{Town meeting} Regularly assembled at our meeting House in Sd Dudley on monday the Second Day of March AD 1767

- 1) Voted Phinehas Mixer moderator for S^d meeting
- 2ly Voted Ezra Conant Town Clerk
- 3ly Voted Phinehas Mixer Select man
- 4ly Voted Eben^r Bacon Select man
- 5ly Voted John Curtis Select man
- 6ly Voted Abijah Newell Assessor
- 7ly Voted Joseph Sabin Jun^r Assessor
- 8ly Voted Joseph Davis Assessor
- 9) Voted Jed^d Marcy Town treasurer
- 10) Voted Edward Davis west End Constable
- 11) Voted John Brackit Est End Constable
- 12) John Taylor & Daniel Coburn Wardens
- 13) Voted Sam^{ll} Kidder and Sam^{ll} Healy Tithing men
- 14) Voted & accepted of Sam^{ll} Fairbank to Serve Constable for John Brackit
- 15) Voted Sam^{ll} Fairbank Eleazer Putney James Corbin David Kidder and Eben^r Bacon Jun^r Surveyors of highways
- 16)ly Voted the Surveyors to be Collectors
- 17ly Voted And^r White & Archibald Jewell fence Viewers

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- 18ly Voted Joshua Healey Sealer of weights & measures
 19ly Voted Sam^l Kidder Sealer of Leather
 20ly Voted John Curtis Culler of Claboards & Shingles
 21ly Voted Joseph Conant Culler of Staves
 22ly Voted Eben^r Bacon Surveyer of wheet
 23ly Voted Abijah Newell Deer Reeve
 24ly Voted Isaac Chase & John Bacon hog rieves
 25ly Voted that Swine may Run at Large
 26ly Voted to abate M^r Sam^l Robinsons ministerial Rates
 the two years past
 27ly Voted 35 pounds for mending our highways the present
 year
 28ly Voted the highway Rates to be workt out at 2/8 pr
 day by the Last of Sept Next
 29ly Voted not to build a work house
 30ly Voted to abate Philip Newell Jun^r & Sam^l Kidders
 highway Rates this Year
 the above mentioned officers have all taken their Respective
 oaths

the Rates made and Delivered to the Constables for the
 Year 1766 is as follows Viz

Constable Eleazer Putneys Province Rate	47- 7- 9 $\frac{1}{4}$
his minister Rate	27- 6- 8
his wood Rate	4- 7- 7
his Town and County Rate	17-19- 2 $\frac{1}{4}$
his School Rate	20-17- 4 $\frac{1}{2}$
to Edward Davis for the East End his Province Rate	43- 1-10 $\frac{1}{4}$
his Minister Rate	26- 4- 1
his Wood Rate	3-17-10 $\frac{3}{4}$
his Town & County Rate	16-15- 9 $\frac{3}{4}$
his School Rate	19- 2- 2 $\frac{3}{4}$

By Vertue of a warrant from the Select men to Constable Edward Davis the following persons were warnd out of Dudley (Viz) John Leavens John King Simeon Bakeck Eunice Peass Issecar Reacords and his Wife & Children Jonathan Willard and his Wife and Children and Mary Willard and Mary Pierce

all warnd by Edward Davis Constable

Feb^{ry} 18:1767

Worcester ss to Edward Davis one of the Constables of Dudley in S^d County you are hereby Required in his majesties name forthwith to warn or Notify the free holders & other inhabitants of the Tow of Dudley Qualified to Vote in Town affais to meet at our meeting house in S^d Town on wednesday the twentieth Day of may instant at two O Clock after Noon Then and there to act upon the following articles (viz)

- 1) for the Town to Chuse a Representative to Serve at the great and General Court the insuing Year
 - 2ly to Chuse a moderator for S^d meeting
 - 3ly to See what Sum or Sums of money the Town will grant to Defray the Charge of Schooling the insuing year
 - 4ly to See if the Town will grant money to Defray the necessary Charges of the Town the insuing year
 - 5ly for the Town to hear and grant any petition that may then be Laid before them as the Town may think fitt
- hereof fail not as you will answer your Defect and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon
given under our hands and Seal at Dudley this fifth Day of May AD 1767

Phinehas Mixer	} Select men
Eben ^r Bacon	
John Curtis	

Dudley May y^e 20:1767 In obedience to this within warrant I have warn^d of Notified the Several Inhabitants

within mentioned to meet at time place within mentioned by
Setting this warrant at the meeting house as usual

p^r Edward Davis Constable

at meeting Regularly assembled at our meeting house in
Said Dudley on the 20 Day of May 1767

- 1) made no Choice of a Representative
 - 2ly Voted Phinehas Mixer moderator
 - 3ly Voted 35£ for Schooling the present Year
 - 4ly Voted 8£ for Necessary uses
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Worcester ss to Edward Davis one of the Constables of
the Town of Dudley in S^d County Greeting In his Maj-
esties Name you are hereby Required forthwith to warn or
notify the Several inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Qualified
to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting house in S^d
Dudley on monday the Eighteenth Day of Jan^{ry} instant at one
O Clock after Noon then and there to act on the following
articles viz

- 1)st to Chuse a moderator for S^d meeting
- 2ly to See if the Town will agree to New Clabord our
meeting house or any part thereof
- 3ly to See if Town will agree to Newbuild the front Door
in S^d house with a New Cap over the Same and to do any
thing to the other two Doors as the Town Shall think Neces-
sary
- 4ly to See if the Town will vote and agree to make New
window fraims and Sashes and Glase the above Sd house with
24 Squares of glass in each window 6 by 8 Glass
- 5ly to See if the Town will Grant to Defray the Charge of
Repairing the above S^d house
- 6ly to See if the Town will agree to Chuse a Committee

to provide Stuff and to Do any thing to S^d house as the Town Shall agree

7ly to See if the Town will Concur with the Votes past by the Town of Boston on Wednesday y^e 28 Day of October 1767

hereof fail not and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings there on unto us the Subscribers as you will answer your Default at the peril of the Law Given under our hands and Seal at Dudley the first Day of Jan^{ry} 1768

Phinehas Mixer }
Eben^r Bacon } Select men
John Curtis } of Dudley

Dudley Jan^{ry} 18:1768 In obedience to the above warrant I have warn^d and Notified the freeholders and other inhabitants of Dudley qualified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting house as within mentioned by sitting this warrant up at the meeting house Door as usual

p^r Edward Davis Constable of Dudley

At Meeting of the Inhabitants of Dudley on monday the 18 Day of Jan^{ry} AD 1768

1) Voted Phinehas Mixer moderator for S^d meeting

2ly Voted to New Claboard the body of our meeting house

3ly Voted to New build the front Door of our meeting house with a Cap over the Same and to Do what is Necessary to the other Doors of s^d house

4ly Voted Not to Glase our meeting house

5ly Voted to Raise 40£ for Repairing our meeting house

6ly Vote to have 3 Committee men to provide for and Repair our meeting house

7ly Voted Jacob Chamberlain Philip Corbin & Sam^l Fairbank a Committee to Repair our meeting house

8ly Voted to Concur with the Votes pas^d in Boston Respecting the manifactory business

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Rates made and Deliver^d to the Constables of Dudley December 1767

to Constable Davis Province List	46- 2- 9¼
to the meeting house Rate	20- 18- 7¾
Province List Committed to Constable Fairbank	41- 8- 2¾
to the meeting house Rate	19- 2- 1½

Worcester ss to Sam^l Fairbank one of the Constables of the town of Dudley Greeting his Majesties Name you are hereby Required to warn or Notify the Severall Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Qualified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting at our meeting house in Dudley on monday the Seventh Day of march next at Nine o Clock in y^e morning then and there to act upon the following articles

1) to Chuse a moderator for said meeting
 2ly to Chuse Town officers for the insuing year
 3ly to See if the Town will agree to Let their Swine Run at Large

4ly to See if the Town will Grant money to Defray the Charge of mending our highways

5ly to See what method the Town will come into for mending our highways

6ly to See if the Town will accept of a Road or higway Laid out from Cap^t Paul Robinsons Eastwardly to the Road Leading from Silas Robinsons to Killingly partly on Land belonging to Cap^t Paul Robinson and partly on Land belonging to Co^{ll} Dudleys heirs and partly on Land belonging Silas Robinson and Tim^o Foster Jun^r and partly on Land belonging to Noah Hall

7ly To See if y^e Town will accept of a Road Laid out by the Select men Northwest corner of Stephen Browns Improvements Northwardly into y^e S west Corner of Noah Halls Land partly on Land belonging to Nath^l Brown and partly on Land belonging to Tim^o Foster J^r

8ly to See if the Town will accept of a Road Laid out by

y^e Select begining at a Chesnut tree markt Standing on the South Side of the Road Laid out from Cap^t Paul Robinsons to Tim^o Foster Ju^r from thence Runing North ward about 2 Rods below Silas Robinsons medow Damb from thence Eastward to the Road Leading from Silas Robinsons to Killingly Near where the old Road is now trod

gly to see if y^e Town will accept of a Road Laid out by the Select men begining at y^e S west Corner of the Land belonging to the Heirs of M^r Eben^r Pierpont from thence Runing Southward to the Road Leading from Nathan Ramsdels to M^r John Lillies from thence turning and Runing westerly to the Road Leading from Nathan Ramsdels to our meeting house

the perticuler times when the above mentioned Roads were Laid out together with their Respective bounds will be more fully Set forth at the above S^d meeting

oly for the Town to hear and Grant any Petition or Petitions that may be Laid before the Town at Said meeting

hereof fail not as you will answer your Defect at the peril of the Law and make Due Return of this warrant with Your doings there on unto us the the Subscribers Given under our hands and Seal at Dudley this 15 Day of Feb^ry AD 1768

Phinehas Mixer } Select men
John Curtis } of Dudley

March y^e 7 : 1768

Worcester ss In obedience to this Warrant I have Notified the Several of this Town that are qualified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at time and place within mentioned

p^r me Sam^l Fairbank Constable for Dudley

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting house in S^d Town on monday y^e 7 of March 1768

- 1) Voted and Chose Phinehas mixer moderator for S^d meeting
- 2) Voted Phinehas Mixer first Select man

- 3ly Voted Jedidiah Marcy second Select man
 4ly Voted Archibald Jewell third Select man
 5ly Voted Joseph Sabin Jun^r Assessor
 6ly Voted Abijah Newell Assessor
 7ly Voted Edward Davis Assessor
 8ly Ezra Conant Town Clerk
 9ly Jedidiah Marcy Town Treasurer
 10ly Nath^l Healey west End Constable
 11ly Voted Lemuel Corbin East End Constable
 12ly Voted Sam^l Fairbank & Elijah Gore Wardens
 13ly Voted Stephen Carter and Nathaniel Davis Tything
 men
 14ly Voted Jacob Bradbury Eben^r Bacon Sam^l Fairbank
 Jacob Chamberlain and Daniel Smith Surveyors of highways
 15ly Voted Sam^l Lamb Sealer of weights and measures
 16ly Voted Sam^l Kidder Sealer of Leather
 17ly Voted Sam^l Eams & Joseph Healey fence viewers
 18ly Voted Eben^r Scott Deer Rieve
 19ly Voted Jacob Chamberlain & John Foster hog Rieves
 20ly Voted that Swine may Run at Large
 21ly Voted 40£ for mending our highways this Year
 22ly Voted to work out the highway Rates at 2/6 per Day
 from the first of May to the Last of Sep^t
 23ly Voted to accept of the Road Laid out from Capt Paul
 Robinsons Easterly to Killingly Road as Discribed in y^e
 minutes
 24ly Voted to accept of the Road Laid out from Stephen
 Browns to Tim^o Fosters Jun^r as hereafter described
 25ly Voted not to accept of the Road Laid out from Paul
 Robinsons to Silas Robinsons
 26ly Voted not to accept the Road Laid out from Eben^r
 Scotts to our meeting house
 27ly Voted to Discontinue the old Road from Eliakim Rob-
 insons westerly to the Great Road leading to our meeting
 house
 28ly Voted to abate Sam^l Kidders and Philip Newells high-
 way Rates this Year

the above mentioned officers have all been Sworn to the faithfull Discharge of their Respective offices Except Elijah Gore



A Road Laid out by the Select men of Dudley on the 17 Day of December 1767 as follows beging at the N:W Corner of Stephen Browns Improvements from thence Runing Northerly to a black oak tree from thence to another black oak tree markt from thence to another black oak from thence to another black oak tree markt from thence to the S: W: Corner of Noah Hall Land to the Road Laid out from Paul Robinsons to Tim^o Fosters Ju^r the above S^d Road is Laid out two Rods wide and is Laid on the East Side of Sd Bounds

John Curtis }
Eben^r Bacon } Select men

A Road Laid out by the Select men of Dudley December y^e 17 1767 begining at the N: E: Corner of Cap^t Paul Robinsons Dwelling house from thence Runing Eastwardly over a Damb belonging S^d Robinson to a Chesnut tree marked from thence eastwardly to a black oak tree marked from thence to another black oak markt from thence to a walnut from thence to a black oak from thence to a white oak from thence to another white oak Staddle from thence to a black oak from thence to another black oak to another black oak then to a white then to a black oak from thence to the S: W: Corner of Noah Halls Land from thence Eastwardly on the Line between Noah Hall & Tim^o Fosters Land to the Road that Leads from S^d Fosters to Killingly the S^d Road to be 2 Rods wide the $\frac{1}{2}$ on S^d Halls Land the other $\frac{1}{2}$ on S^d Fosters Land and is Laid on the North Side of the above mentioned bounds

John Curtis }
Eben^r Bacon } Select men



Worcester ss To Nath^l Healey one of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in Sd County Greeting you are hereby Required in his Majesties Name forthwith to warn or notify

the freeholders and other inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting house in S^d Dudley on tuesd the Seventeenth Day of May Next at two O Clock after noon then and there to act upon the following articles viz)

1st to Chuse a man to Represent our Town at the great and general Court or assembly to be held at boston the Insuing Year

2ly to Chuse a moderator for S^d meeting

3ly to grant money to Defray the Charge of Schooling the Insuing year

4ly to See if the Town will agree to Cholour the body of our meeting house

5ly to Grant money to Defray the Charg of Cholouring our meeting house and Chuse a Committee to Do the Same

6ly to Grant money to Defray Necessary Charges the Insuing year

7ly to See if the Town will Consent that three of the County Courts be held Every Year at Lancaster for the future

8) to Chuse a Comittee to Provide Schooling the Insuing Year

9ly to Sec if the Town will accept of a List of mens Names for jurors

hereof fail not as you will answer Defect at the peril of the Law and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon to us the Subscribers given under our hands and Seal at Dudley y^e 28 Day of April AD 1768

Phinehas Mixer

Jedidiahe Marcy

Archibald Jewell

} Selectmen

Worcester ss may y^e 17 : 1768 In obedience to the
within warrant I have warnd and notifyd the Inhabitants
within mentioned by Siting this warrant up at the meeting
house as usual

p^r Nath^l Healy Constable for Dudley

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of Dudley on the 17 Day of May AD 1768

- 1st) Voted Phinehas mixer moderator for S^d meeting
- 2ly Voted 40£ to Defray the Charge of Schooling the In-suing Year
- 3ly Voted Elijah Gore Nath^l Davis John Curtis And^r white Nath^l Healy and Elijah Sabin a Committee to provide Schooling the present Year
- 4ly Voted to Cholour our meeting house with an orange Cholour
- 5ly Voted Philip Corbin Jacob Chamberlain and Sam^l Fairbank a Committee for to Cholour Sd House
- 6) Voted 12£ to Defray Necessary Charges
- 7ly Voted not to Remove any of the County Courts from Worcester to Lancaster
- 8ly Voted to accept the Nams of the Jurors Laid before the Town at the present meeting

Worcester ss To Lemuel Corbin one of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in S^d County Greeting you are hereby in his Majesties Name Required forthwith to warn or notify the Several Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting house in Dudley on thirsday the Tenth Day of November next 'at one O Clock after noon then and there to act upon the following articles Viz

- 1) to Chuse a moderator for Sd meeting
- 2)ly For the Town to hear and accept of the Committees accompt for Clabording and Coulouring our meeting house
- 3ly to See if the Town will new Glaze our meeting house with twenty four Squares of glass in Each window 6 by 8 Glass or to make new Casments and fix in the old Glass
- 4ly to See if the Town will Chuse a Committee to new Glaze our meeting house or do anything to the windows in Sd house as the Town Shall order

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5ly To See if the Town will grant money to Defray the Charge of new fixing and Couloing our meeting house and other necessary Charges arising in our Town

6ly for the Town to hear and Grant any Petition that may be laid before them as they Shall think fit

here of fail not as you will answer your Defect at the peril of the Law and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings there on Given under our hands and Seal at Dudley the eighth Day of Octo^r 1768

Phinehas Mixer }
Jedidiah Marcy } Selectmen

Worcester ss Dudley Novem y^e 10: 1768 by Virtue of this Warrant I have warned the freeholders and other Inhabitants of S^d Dudley qualified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting house at the time within mentioned by Sitting up this warrant at the Sine post as usual

Lemuel Corbin Constable

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting house in S^d Dudley on thursday the tenth Day of November 1768

1:st Voted Phinehas Mixer moderator for S^d meeting

2ly Voted to accept the Committees account for Clabording and Couloing our meeting house viz £58: 7: 11½

3ly Voted to new Glaze our meeting house

4ly Voted that any person that puts a new window into our meeting house Shall have the benifit of the old window

5ly Voted Joseph Upham W^m Carter & Nath^l Healey a Committee to See the meeting house Glaz^d

6ly Voted 20£ for to finish Repairing our meetin house

7ly Voted 10£ for necessary uses

Warrant

Worcester ss to Nathaniel Healey one of the Counstables

of the Town of Dudley in Said County greeting you are hereby in his Majesties Name Required forthwith to warn and Notify the freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley quallified to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting in Dudley aforesaid on monday sixth Day of March next at nine of the clock in the morning then & there to act upon the following articals viz first to Choose a moderator for said meeting

2nd ly to Choose town officers for the ensuing year as the Law Directs

3rd ly to see if the Town will agree to Let the Swine Run at large the Ensuing year

4th ly to See what Sum or Sums of money the town will grant to Defray the charge of mending of our highways in said town the insuing year

5th ly to See if the Town will accept of a highway laid out by the Select men from the North East Corner of M^r Harscall land runing East in the line between the land of Ebenezer Edmunds & John Vinton & Ralph Vintons unto the North east Corner of the land y^t Ebenezer Edmunds bought of M^r White one rod out of M^r Edmonds land and one rod out of the above said John & Ralph Vintons land then turning a little towards the southeast where the road is now trod untill it comes to the land of M^r Jeremiah Phillips then turning South and runing in the line between the land of Ebenezer Edmunds & Jeremiah Phillips one rod on Edmonds land and one rod on M^r Phillips land until it comes within a few rods of the Brook from thence where the road is now trod on Phillips land untill it comes to woodstock line

6thly to see if the Town will accept of a highway laid out by the select men from the road that leads from the east school house to Samuel Warrins begining at the corner of m^r Warrins land from thence runing east in the line between the land of Deacon Jacob Bradburys Northeast corner one rod on Deaⁿ Bradburys land and one rod on Capt Paul Robinsons land from thence still eastwardly partly on land belonging to M^r Dudleys heirs and partly on Cap^t Paul Robinson land partly

on the land of M^r Silas Robinson by a line of marked trees untill it comes to the south side of M^r Silas Robinsons Dwelling House and so on till it comes to the road that leads Oxford to Killingly meeting House

7thly for the Town to hear and grant any Petition or Petitions that may be laid before them at said meeting

here of fail not as you will answer your Defect at and make due Return of this warrant given under our hands and Seals at Dudley y^e 18th Day of February A D 1769

Phinehas Mixer }
Archabell Jewell } Select men

Worcester ss Dudley March y^e 6th 1769

In obedence to the within warrant I have warned the Inhabitants of this Town to meet according to the tenner of the within warrant by me

Nathaniel Healey Constable

Town meeting

At a meeting of the Inhabetents of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting House in said Dudley on monday the sixth Day of March 1769

- 1st Voted Joseph Upham moderator for said meeting
- 2ly Voted Edward Davis Town Clerk
- 3ly Voted Jedidiah Marcy Town Treasurer
- 4ly Voted select men and assessors separate
- 5ly Voted to have five select men
- 6ly Voted Ebenezer Bacon first select man
- 7ly Voted Joseph Upham second select man
- 8ly Voted Jacob Chamberlain third select man
- 9ly Voted Elijah Gore forth select man
- 10ly Voted John Curtis fifth select man
- 11ly Voted to have three assessors
- 12ly Voted Samuel Farbank first assessor
- 13ly Voted Edward Davis second assessor
- 14ly Voted Joseph Sabin Jun^r third assessor
- 15ly Voted Josiah Conant west end Constable

- 16ly Voted and accepted Andrew White to serve Constable for said Conant
- 17ly Voted Joseph Davis east end Constable
- 18ly Voted Samuel Farbank & David Kidder wardiens
- 19ly Voted Samuel Kidder & Timothy Foster Jun^r Tything men
- 20ly Voted Sam^l Farbank Sam^{ll} Eames Eleazer Putney Daniel Newell and Edward Curtis Surveyors of highways
- 21ly Voted Abijah Newell and Nathan Jeffords fence viewers
- 22ly Voted Samuel Lamb Sealer of weights and measurs
- 23ly Voted Samuel Kidder Sealer of Leather
- 24ly Voted that swine may run at large
- 25ly Voted Daniel Coburn Jonathan Willard Joseph Upham Jun^r John Wakefield & gideon Saben to be hogg Rieves
- 26ly Voted John Curtis Culler of shingles and Clabords
- 27ly Voted Daniel Smith Deer Rieve
- 28ly Voted the Surveyers of highways to be Colectors of the highway rates
- 29ly Voted forty pounds for mending our highways at the same per day as last year
- 30ly Voted not to accept the Road laid out from M^r Harskels to M^r Phillipses
- 31ly Voted not to accept the Road laid out from the east school House to Silas Robinsons
- 32ly Voted that Nathaniel Davis may Turn the road going from his House to the Road that goes from our meeting House to Sam^{ll} Robinsons mill as Described in his petition
- 33ly Voted to abate M^r Joseph Carpenter minister & meeting house rates for 1768
- 34ly Voted not to abate Samuel Kidder & Philip Newell & Obadiah Sabins highway rates
- 35ly Voted the select men to give an order to Jacob Chamberlain & Sam^{ll} Farbank for one pound nine shillings & seven pence which they say is there due towards what they Expended as a Committee for Clabording and Colouring our meeting House

Dudley Town Records, 1769.

36ly Voted not to open the Road Requested by Will^m & John Wakefield

the above Named officers have bin sworn to the faithful Discharge of their Respective offices Except Jedidiah Marcy gideon Sabin and Abijah Newell

perambulation April 4th 1769 We the Subscribers Select men of Woodstock and Dudley together with Sam^l Chandler Surveyors assistance we Begun at a heap of stones one of the souwest corners of Dudley and N:W: corner of Killingley and in the East line of said Woodstock: and from thence we perambulated Northerly first to a white oak tree in the Norwest Corner of land belonging unto Thomas Dudley Esq^r thence to another white oak tree being the noreast corner of Woodstock from thence we turned west 6° North making a strate line 470 rods to a large heap of stones Eastorlee of a broken topt pine and is Dudley southwestermost corner and Sturbridge southeast corner and Erected Staks and Stones Every 80 Rods as witness our hand

Nathaniel Child } Select men of
Nehemiah Lyon } Woodstock

Ebenezer Bacon } Select men
Joseph Upham } of Dudley

perambulation May 17th 1769 We the Subscribers having this day met & Renewed the Bounds between Oxford and Dudley begining at a maple tree on the northly side of the mouth of Robinsons mill Brook where it comes out of the Damb thence to a heap of stones on the southerly side of the Brook a little above Robinsons mill then to a heap of stones on the bank of the River the west side opposit the mouth of Robinsons mill Brook thence Northerly to a heap of stones a few Rods North of the widow Abigail Shumways House thence westerly to a heap of stones on a Rock thence Northerly by a line of marked trees

to a heap of stones which is the north east corner of Dudley then westerly to a large heap of Stones which is the southeast corner of Charlton District

Eph ^m Ballard	}	Select men
William Watson		of Oxford
Joseph Upham	}	Select men
Elijah Gore		of Dudley

May y^e 22 :1769

We the Subscribers having this Day met and Renewed the perambulation Bounds between Dudley and Charlton Beginning at a heap of stones in Dudley line being Charlton southeast Corner and thence on said line Renewed the bounds till we Came to a heap of stones Being Dudley northwest Corner and Charlton South-west Corner

Eben ^r Bacon	}	Select men
Joseph Upham		of Dudley
Elijah Gore		
and		
Nathaniel Blood	}	Select men of
Samuel Curtis		Charlton

Worcester ss to either of the Constables of the town of warrant
 Dudley in said County Andrew White or Joseph Davis
 greeting In his Majastyes Name you or either of you are
 Required forthwith to warn and Notify the freeholders and
 other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualified to Vote as
 the Law Directs to meet at our meeting House in said Dudley
 on monday the 29th day of may instant at one of the clock in
 the after noon then and there to act upon the following
 articals (viz)

1st to Elect & Depute one person to serve for and represent us in the great and general Court or assembly to be conveyned and held at the Court House in Boston upon Wednesday the 31st Day of may instant

Dudley Town Records, 1769.

- 2ndly to Chews a moderator for said meeting
 3rdly to grant money for Defraying the charge of Schooling for the Insuing year
 4thly to grant money for Defraying other necessary Charges of the town for the Insuing year
 5thly for the Town to Chews a Sealer of weights & measures in the rome of m^r Sam^l Lamb
 6thly to hear & act upon any petition or petitions that shall be lade before the town as they shall think proper
 and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings there on to us the Subscribers as you will answer your Defect at the perril of the Law : given under our hands and Seal this 15th Day of may Ano : Domini 1769

Eben ^r Bacon	} Select men of Dudley
Joseph Upham	
Jacob Chamberlain	
Elijah Gore	
John Curtis	

Worcester ss Dudley may y^e 29th 1769

In obedenence to the within ritten warrant I have warned & notified the Inhabitants qualified according to Law to meet at time and place within mentioned by setting this warrant up at the meeting House as usual

p^r Joseph Davis Constable

Town meeting at a meeting of the Inhabitants of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting house in Dudley on monday the 29th Day of may 1769

- 1st Voted & did not send a Representative this year
 2ndly Voted Joseph Sabin moderator for s^d meeting
 3rdly Voted £40 for Defraying the charge of schooling the Insuing year
 4thly Voted 30£ for Defraying other necessary charges the Insuing year

5^{thly} Voted William Carter sealer of weights & measures in the room of m^r Sam^l Lamb

6^{thly} Voted to abate Alex^r Thompsons Rates in Constable Farbanks lists for the year 1767 Except the rates of a single Poll in said lists

7^{thly} Voted that pue in our meeting house to Edward Curtis that was Cap^t Paul Robinsons on the South Side of the East Dore upon the same footing our pues is voted to others

8^{thly} Voted to abate Philip Newell & Samuel Kidders highway Rates this present year

Worcester ss to Joseph Davis Constable of the Town of Warrant
Dudley in s^d county greeting you are hereby in his Majes-
ties Name forthwith Required to warn or Notify the Several
Inhabitents of the Town of Dudley Qualified to vote in Town
affairs to meet at our meeting House in s^d Dudley on Tuesday
the 17th Day of this instant October at two of the Clock in
the after noon then and there to act upon the following
articals (viz)

1st to Chuse a moderator of said meeting

2^{ndly} to see if the Town will raise mony to pay for New
glazing our meeting House or Come into some other method
for to pay the Committee that glazed sd house

3^{rdly} to See if the Town will agree to New paint our
meeting House & raise money for to Defray the Charge of the
same or act upon it as the Town shall think proper

4^{thly} for the Town to here and act upon any petition or
petitions that shall be laid before them as they shall see fit

Here of fail not and make Due Return of this warrant with
your Doings there on, as you will answer your Defect at the
perril of the Law

Dated at Dudley aforesaid the 3rd Day of October AD 1769
by order of the Select men

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Dudley October y^e 17th 1769 In obedience to the within

Dudley Town Records, 1768-9.

Warrant I have Notified the Inhabitants by setting up this
warrant according to the usual Custum of this Town
by me Joseph Davis Constable of Dudley

Meeting At a meeting of the Inhabitants of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting House in said Dudley October y^e 17th 1769
1st Voted Eben^r Bacon moderator for said meeting
2ndly Voted to new paint our meeting House
3rdly Voted £12 for to Defray the Charge of painting our meeting House
and then adjourned the meeting to Tuesday the 7th Day of November next at two of the clock in the after noon at which time the Town met and Desolved said meeting

the Rates made and delivered to the Constables in the year 1768 is as follows viz

D ^d to Constable Nath ^l Healey	
the School rate is	21-15- 5½
Town and County rate is	14-14- 8-3
menisters rate is	28-18- 0-1
wood rate is	4- 5- 1-3
meeting house rate is	10- 9-11-
Delivered to Constable Lemuel Corben	
the School Rate is	19- 9- 0-3
Town and County rate is	13- 0- 9-3
Menisters rate is	26- 9- 7-1
Wood rate is	4- 0- 5-3
Meeting house rate is	9-16- 7-

the Rates Delivered to the Constables in the year 1769 is as follows (viz

Delivered to Constable Andrew White for	
the west end of the Town	
province rate is	31-14- 4-1

School rate is	20-14- 3-2
Town and County rate is	17-19- 9-1
minister rate is	26- 8- 2-2
wood rate is	4- 1- 1-2
meeting house rate is	6- 2- 5-3
Delivered to Constable Joseph Davis	
Province Rate is	31- 6-11-2
School rate is	20-13- 1-3
Town and County rate is	17-15-10-
minister rate is	27- 4- 6-3
wood rate is	4- 3- 6-2
meeting house rate is	6- 6- 7-2



Worcester ss to Andrew White one of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in the County of Worcester greeting: you are hereby in his Majestys Name Required forth with to warn or notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualified to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in Dudley aforesaid on monday the fifth Day of march next at nine of the Clock in the fore noon then and there to act upon the following articals viz

Warrant

first to Choose a moderator for s^d meeting

2ndly to Choose Town officers for the Insuing year as the Law Directs

3rdly to See if the Town will agree to let their swine run at larg the Insuing year

4ly to See what Sum or Sums of money the Town will grant to Defray the Charge of mending our highways in said Town the Insuing year and to agree how it shall be Expended

5thly for the Town to Choose a School Committee for the Insuing year if they think it proper

6thly for the Town to Choose a Committee to goe to Worcester at our next Court of General Sessions of the peace to be holden at Worcester on the Second Tuesday of may next to

Represent us at said Court concerning our being presented for not keeping a grammar school if the Town think proper

7^{thly} to See if the Town will come into some method to Repair our School house and to raise money to Defray the charge of the same if they think it proper

8^{thly} to See if the town will accept of a highway laid out by the Select men begining at the road leading from woodstock line a little west of M^r Jeremiah Philips to our meeting house and runing through said Phillips land Norwesterly till it Comes to M^r Eben^r Edmunds land then on said Edmunds land till it Comes to Ralph Vintons land then between the said Edmunds & Ralph & John Vintons lands till it Comes to John Harskell land

9^{thly} to See if the Town will accept of a highway laid out by the Select men begining at the end of the lain west of Col^o Thomas Cheney's house and Runing Norwesterly till it comes to Charlton line on through M^r Winthrop land

10^{thly} to See if the Town will accept of a highway laid out by the select men begining at the road leading from Charlton to Dudley and runing by the east end of Eben^r greggs house and Barn on said greggs land southerly till it Comes to Josiah Conants house

11^{ly} to See if the Town will accept of a highway laid out by the Select men begining on Eleazer Putneys land by Thomas Taylors house & runing westerly on Putneys land till it Comes to Obadiah Sabins land then on his land till it Comes to Joseph Sabin land then then on his land & land of the heirs of Paul Dudley Esq^r Deseased till it Comes to the River then Crosing the River into the road leading from Col^o Cheaney to Elisha Sabins the perticulars & bounds of the above roads will be laid before the Town at s^d meeting in the Select mens minuts

12^{thly} to See if the Town will Come into som method in order to establish the southerly part of the east line of our Town

13^{thly} for the Town to here and grant any petition or petitions that shall be laid before them if they think it propper

and make Due Return of this warrant and of your Doings thereon at or before the said fifth Day of march next

Dated at Dudley afore said the fourteenth Day of February 1770 and in the tenth year of his Majestyes Reign &c

Eben ^r Bacon	} Select men of Dudley
Jos : Upham	
Jacob Chamberlain	
Elijah Gore	
John Curtis	

Worcester ss Dudley March y^e 5th 1770

In obedience to this warrant I have Notify the Severil Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet at the time & place within mentioned according to the usual custom of this Town by Setting up this warrant at the sign post in Dudly

Andrew White Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley ^{Town meeting}
Regularly assembled at our meeting house on monday y^e 5th
Day of March 1770

first Voted & Chose Joseph Upham moderater for said meeting

- 2^{ndly} Voted Edward Davis Town Clerk
- 3^{rdly} Voted to have the select men & assessors seperate
- 4^{thly} Voted to have five select men
- 5^{thly} Voted Eben^r Bacon first select man
- 6^{thly} Voted Jedidiah Marcy Esq^r second selectman
- 7^{thly} Voted Jos : Upham third selectman
- 8^{thly} Voted Jacob Chamberlain fourth selectman
- 9^{thly} Voted Jos : Healey fifth selectman
- 10^{thly} Voted to have three Assessirs
- 11^{thly} Voted Jos : Sabin J^r first Assessor
- 12^{thly} Voted Abijah Newell second Assessor
- 13^{thly} Voted Edward Davis third Assessor
- 14^{thly} Voted Jedidiah Marcy Esq^r Town Treasurer
- 15^{thly} Voted Ichabod Chamberlain west end Constable
- 16^{thly} Voted Paul Dodge east end Constable

- 17thly Voted Nathan Dennis & Lemuel Corbin wardiens
- 18thly Voted Lt Sam^l Fairbank & Daniel Newell Tithing men
- 19thly Voted Dea: Jacob Bradbury Nathan Jeffords John Bacon Asa Curtis David Kidder Elijah gore and Elisha Sabin highway surveyers
- 20thly Voted that the highway surveyors to be collectors of the highway rates
- 21stly Voted Eleazer Putney & Nath^l Davis fence viewers
- 22ndly Voted L^t W^m Carter Sealer of weights & measures
- 23rdly Voted Sam^l Kidder Sealer of Leather
- 24thly Voted to let their swine run at large
- 25thly Voted Jonas Fairbank Thos: Taylor & John Thompson Hogg Rievs
- 26thly Voted Cap^t John Curtis Culler of shingles & Clapboards
- 27thly Voted Eben^r Bacon Dear Rieve
- 28thly Voted to send a committee to Worcester concerning our being presented for not keeping a grammar school
- 29thly Voted Jos: Upham & Edw^d Davis as a committee to Represent us
- 30thly Voted fifty pounds for to Defray the charge of our highways this year
- 31stly Voted to work out the same at 2 / 6 per Day to be worked out before the first of October
- 32ndly Voted Daniel Newell Jacob Warren John Bracket Eben^r Ammidown Jos Vinton & Josiah Conant a School Committe to provide schooling
- 33rdly Voted thirty pounds for to Repair our School houses and each ward to Draugh their money as they Do the money for Schooling
- 34thly Voted Col^o Thos: Cheaney Jos: Vinton & Eben^r Edmunds as a Committee to Repair that school house in the west ward
- 35thly Voted Capt. John Curtis Jacob Chamberlain & Abijah Newell as a Committee to Repair that school house by sd Chamberlains

36^{thly} Voted Nath^l Healey Stuckly Arnold & Daniel Newell as a Committee to repair that school house by m^r Eben^r Bacons

37^{thly} Voted Elijah gore Jacob Warren & John Delremple as a Committee to Repair that School house near said gores

38^{thly} Voted Jos :Upham Lt W^m Carter & Andrew White as a Committee to Repair that School house near said Whites

39^{thly} Voted Cap^r Paul Robinson Nath^l Davis and John Bracket as a Committee to Repair that School house in the East ward

40^{thly} Voted that each Committee shall Repair said houses by the first of October next insuing

41^{thly} Voted to accept of that Road leading from John Haskell by Eben^r Edmunds to Jeremy Phillips as is particularly Described hereafter

42^{ndly} Voted to accept of a road leading from Colo : Cheaneys to Sturbridge through m^r Winthrops land

43^{rdly} Voted to accept of a road leading from Josiah Conants to Eben^r griggs through griggs land Conant paying griggs his Damage and clearing the Town from any cost from griggs

44^{thly} Voted not to accept of that road from Thos Taylors to Col^o Cheaneys

45^{thly} Voted for the selectmen to run the East line of our Town and make Report to the Town at our Next meeting

46^{thly} Voted that pue to Edward & Nath^l Davis that was Capt. Eben^r Edmunds at the east end of the pulpet in our meeting house on the same footing the pues are Disposed of to others as Described in the petition

47^{thly} Voted to abate Joseph Barrets rates for the year 1769

48^{thly} Voted to abate Samuel Cooks & Caleb Smiths minister and meeting house rates for the year 1769

the above said officers have taken the oaths of office Except Thos :Taylor & John Thompson

A Road laid out by the Selectmen of Dudley October y^e 3^d

Dudley Town Records, 1769.

1769 begining at a white oake tree & at the end of a road formerly laid out west of Jeremiah Philips from thence about northerly to Woodstock N:E corner from thence to the south side of Ebenezer Edmunds house and east of his Barn from thence about N:W to a Stake and heep stones a Ralph Vintons line and upon said Vintons line west to John Vintons S:E corner and on said John Vinton line to John Haskell land one half on Ralph & John Vintons land and one half on Eben^r Edmunds land said road to be two rods wide

by us	Eben ^r Bacon	}	Selectmen
	Jacob Chamberlain		
	Elijah gore		

A Road laid out by the Selectmen of Dudley November y^e 22nd 1769 begining at the N:W of Col^o Thos Cheaneys lane from thence to a black oak about N:W from thence westerly to heep of Stones from thence northerly to a pitch pine tree from thence about N:W to a small white oake from thence to a heep of stones the south side of a great Rock about a west point from there about northerly to small white oake tree from thence near about as the road is now trod to the corner of the wall of Col^o Cheaneys farm that Abijah Sarls now lives upon which is to Charlton line said road to be two rods wide and laid out on the S:W: Sid of the said bounds by

Eben ^r Bacon	}	Selectmen
Jacob Chamberlain		
John Curtis		

A Road laid out by the Selectmen of Dudley Sep^{tr} y^e 29th 1769 begining at the N: E corner of Josiah Conants house from thence Runing northerly to the south end of a stone wall in Ebenezer griggsses Pasture on the west side of the path that leads to said griggsses from thence to the East End of griggsses barn & house from thence to the Town road leading from

Dudley to Charlton Said Road to be two Rods wide and
 said road is laid out on the East side of the Bounds
 by us Jacob Chamberlain }
 Elijah Gore } Selectmen
 John Curtis }

the above Said Roads was laid before the Town and accept-
 ed by them at the anual meeting in march 1770

Worcester ss To Ickabod Chamberlain one of the Con-
 stables of the Town of Dudley in said County greeting you
 are hereby in his Majestyes Name Required forthwith to warn
 & Notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of
 Dudley qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet at our meet-
 ing house in s^d Dudley on Thursday the 24th Day of may
 currant at two of the clock in the after Noon then and there to
 act upon the following articals (viz)

first to chuse a Representative to serve at the great and
 general court or assembly to be held at Camebridge the insu-
 ing year

2ndly to chuse a moderator for said meeting

3rdly to see if the Town will grant money to Defray the
 Necessary charge of schooling in our Town the insuing year

4thly to See what Sum of money the Town will grant to
 Defray the Nesessery charges for the insuing year

5thly to see if the Town will come into any method to fence
 our Buring places

6thly to see if the Town will here and grant any petition or
 petitions that shall then be laid before them

Hereof fail Not as you will answer your Default at the
 perill of the Law and make Due Return of this warrant with
 your Doing thereon unto us the Subscribers given under

Dudley Town Records, 1770.

our hands and Seal at Dudley the tenth Day of may AD 1770

Ebenezor Bacon	} Selectmen
Joseph Upham	
Jedidiah Marcy	
Joseph Healey	

Worcester ss May y^e 24th 1770 in obedience to this
warrant I have warned the freeholders and other Inhabitants
of the Town of Dudley to appear at time and place by Setting
up this warrant at the usual place in s^d Dudley

p^r Ichabod Chamberlain Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley
Regularly assembled at our meeting House on Thursday the
24th Day of May AD 1770

first Voted and did not send a Representative

secondly Voted Jedidiah Marcy Esq^r moderator for said
meeting

3rdly Voted £40 for to Defray the charge of Schooling the
Insuing year

4thly Voted £25 for to Defray the other Necessary chargs
the insuing year

5thly Voted not to fence our Buring Places

6thly Voted to abate John Morriss Rates in Nathll Healey
list in the year 1768 it being 8 / 1

7thly Voted not to grant Philip Newell & Samⁿ Kidders
petition for to have their highway Rates abated

N:B Joshua Robbins & Wife and famaly mooved from
Killingly into Dudley in April 1775 and Ichabod Thompson
and wife and famaly mooved from Charlton to Dudley in
October 1775



Worcester ss To Ichabod Chamberlain one of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in the County of worcester greeting you are hereby in his majesty's name Required forthwith to warn or Notify the freeholders and other inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting house in Dudley aforesaid on monday the fourth Day of march next at Nine of the clock in the four noon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

1stly to choose a moderator for said meeting

2ndly to choose Town officers for the Insuing year as the Law Directs

3rdly to see if the Town will make such grant or grants of money as may be thought Needfull for Schooling the children in the Town and for other Necessary charges in the Town for the currant year

4thly to see if the Town will choose a School Committee to provid Schooling for the insuing year

5thly to see if the Town will mend our highways by a Rate or otherways & if by a Rate then to grant money for the same

6thly to see if the Town will let there swine Run at large the Insuing year

7thly to choose a county Register

8thly to see if the Town will Discontinue the Road that leads from the southwest corner of m^r Eben^r Bacons Land southerly to the colony line as an open Road but to be continued as a Drist Road: (untill Killingley will open a Road to the county Road

DUDLEY ROAD

9thly for the Town to here and act upon any petition or petitions that shall be laid before them as they see cause

hereof fail not and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon unto the selectmen at or before the said fourth Day of march next as you will answer your Defect at the perril of the Law in that case made and provided Dated at Dudley aforesaid the Eighteenth day of February in the Eleventh year of his Majesty's Reign Ano Dominy 1771

Warrant

by order of the selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Dudley Town Records, 1771.

Worcester ss march y^e 4th 1771 in obedience to this
 warrant I have warn'd and Notified the freeholders and other
 inhabitants of the Town of Dudley to meet at time and place
 by seteng up this warrant at the usual Place in said Dudley
 p^r Ichabod Chamberlain Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Dudley
 Regularly assembled at our meeting house in Dudley on mon-
 day the fourth Day of march 1771

first Voted and chose Jedidiah Marcy Esq^r moderator for
 said meeting

- 2ndly Voted and chose Edward Davis Town Clerk
- 3rdly Voted and chose Jedidiah Marcy Esq^r Town Treasurer
- 4thly Voted to have the selectmen and assessors sepearate
- 5thly Voted to have five selectmen
- 6thly Voted Jedidiah Marcy first selectman
- 7thly Voted Jacob Chamberlain second selectman
- 8thly Voted Will^m Larned third selectman
- 9thly Voted Joseph Healey fourth selectman
- 10thly Voted Timothy Foster fifthe selectman
- 11thly Voted to have three assessors
- 12thly Voted Samuel Fairbank first assessor
- 13thly Voted Edward Davis second assessor
- 14thly Voted David Kieth third assessor
- 15thly Voted John Bacon west end constable
- 16thly Voted Joseph Upham East end constable and after-
wards voted and accepted Nathaniel Davis to serve for said
Upham
- 17thly Voted Samuel Fairbanks & Nathaniel Davis wardiens
- 18thly Voted Timothy Foster Jun^r and Asa Curtis Tyth-
ing men
- 19thly Voted Joseph Davis Jacob Warren Philip Corbin
Silas Robinson Jacob Chamberlain Jun^r Stukely Arnold Daniel
Coburn and Gideon Sabin highway surveyors

20^{thly} Voted that the highway surveyors to be collectors of the highway Rates

21^{stly} Voted Jonas Fairbank and John Curtis Jun^r fence viewers

22^{ndly} Voted L^t William Carter sealer of weights and measures

23^{rdly} Voted Samuel Kidder sealer of Leather

24^{thly} Voted to let the swine run at large

25^{thly} Voted George Robinson Joshua Wetherill Jun Thomas Cheany Jun^r Moses Corbin and Sam^l Newell hog Reives

26^{thly} Voted Cap^t John Curtis culler of shingles & clapboards

27^{thly} Voted Samuel Eames Deer Rieve

28^{thly} Voted £90 to Defray the charge of highway work this year

29^{thly} Voted to work out the same at 2 / 6 per Day to be work out before the first Day of october next

30^{thly} Voted £30 for Necessary charges in said Town this year

31^{stly} Voted £40 for schooling the insuing year

32^{ndly} Voted Joshua Vinton Samuel Healy Ebenezer Amidon Nathaniel Davis Joseph Healy and Eben^r Edmunds school committee

33^{rdly} Voted to discontinue the Road leading from m^r Eben^r Bacons southwest corner southerly to the colony line as an open Road till Killingley will open a Road through to the county Road it to Remain as a Dist Road and good gates and bars to be maintained by m^r Stukely Arnold that shall be comfortable and convenient for Pasing & Repasing

34^{thly} Voted to grant m^r Alex^r Browns Petition to Put gates and bars across the Road near m^r Philips Bridge till further orders

Worcester ss

To Nathaniel Davis one of the constables

Warrant

Dudley Town Records, 1771.

of the Town of Dudley in said county greeting you are hereby in his majestyes Name Required forthwith to warn and Notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting house in said Dudley on wednesday twenty second Day of may curront at two of the clock in the afternoon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

first to choose a Representative to serve at the great and general court or assembly to be held at Cambridge the Insuing year

2ndly To choose a moderator for said meeting

3rdly To see if the Town will continue the old committees to Repair the school houses or choose new ones

4thly To see if the Town will hear and grant any Petition or Petitions that shall be laid before them

here of fail not as you will answer your Defect at the perill of the Law and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon unto us the Subscribers given under our hands and Seal at Dudley the eighth Day of may AD 1771

Jedidiah Marcy	} Select men of Dudley
Jacob Chamberlain	
William Larned	
Timothy Foster	

Worcester ss may y^e 22nd 1771 In obedience to this warrant I have warned and Notified the several Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley by Setting up this warrant according to the usual custom of the Town

Pr Nathaniel Davis Constable of Dudley

Town Meeting At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting house on wednesday the 22nd Day of may 1771

first Voted and chose no Representative

2ndly Voted Jedidiah Marcy Esq moderator for the rest of said meeting

3rdly Voted to Dismiss the old Committees and choose new ones to Repair our School houses in said Town

4thly Voted L^t William Carter Lemuel Corbin & Ebenezer Ammidown as a Committee to Repair that School house near said Ammidowns

5thly Voted Joshua Vinton Josiah Conant and Jacob Chamberlain Jun^r as a committee to Repair that School house near said Chamberlains

6thly Voted Nathan Jeffords John Bracket and Timothy Foster Jun^r as a Committee to Repair that School house in the East ward

7thly Voted to grant Benjamin Coburn and others petition as to be a School ward by them selves and they to build their own School house

8thly Voted to abate Joseph Putneys Rates in Joseph Davis list for 1769



Worcester ss To Nathanael Davis one of the constables
of the Town of Dudley in said county Greeting You are
in his majestyes Name Required forthwith to warn & Notify
the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley
qualified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting
house in said Dudley on monday the second Day of march
next at Nine of the clock in the fore noon then and there
to act upon the following articals (viz)

Warrant

1st to choose a moderator for said meeting

2ndly to Elect and choose Such Town officers for the
preasent year as the Law Directs

3rdly to See if the Town will make such a grant or grants
of money as may be thought Needfull as for Schooling the
children in this Town & for other Necessary charges in Town
for the Currant year

4thly to make choice of a Committee to provide a proper
person or persons to keep the School in Town the present year

5^{thly} to See if the Town will mend our Roads by a Rate or other ways and if by a Rate to grant money for the same

6^{thly} to See if the Town will let there Swine run at Larg on their Commons this year

7^{thly} to hear and grant any Petition or Petitions that may be laid before them

Hereof fail not as you will answer your defect at the perril of the Law and make Due Return of this warrant with your doings thereon unto us the Subscribers Given under our and Seal at Dudley the twelfth Day of February 1772

Jedidiah Marcy	}	Selectmen
Jacob Chamberlain		
William Larned		
Joseph Healy		
Timothy Foster		

Worcester ss March ye 2nd 1772 in obedience to this warrant I have warned & Notified the several Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley by Setting up this warrant according to the usual custom of the Town

p^r Nathaniel Davis Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting house in said Dudley March y^e 2nd 1772

1st Voted and chose Jedidiah Marcy Esqr modorator for said meeting

2^{ndly} Voted Jedidiah Marcy Esqr first select man

3^{rdly} Voted Ens William Larned 2 select man

4^{thly} Voted Joshua Vinton 3 select man

5^{thly} Voted Edward Davis 4 select man

6^{thly} Voted Ens Tim^o Foster 5 select man

7^{thly} Voted Edward Davis first Assessor

8^{thly} Voted David Keith 2 Assessor

- 9^{thly} Voted Joshua Vinton 3 Assessor
10^{thly} Voted Edward Davis Town Clerk
11^{thly} Voted Jedidiah Marey Esq Town Treasurer
12^{thly} Voted Archabild Jewell west end Constable
13^{thly} Voted Nathaniel Davis east end Constable
14^{thly} Voted Josiah Conant & John Bracket wardiens
15^{thly} Voted Danl Dodge & John Curtis Jun^r Tything men
16^{thly} Voted Nathaniel Davis Lemuel Corbin Nathan Dennis
Samuel Kidder Capt John Curtis Elisha Sabin and Andrew
Brown highway surveyors
17^{thly} Voted that the Surveyors of highways be Colectors of
the highway Rates
18^{thly} Voted Lt William Carter Sealer of weights and
measurs
19^{thly} Voted Samuel Kidder Sealer of Leather
20^{thly} Voted Jacob Warren & Nathan Jeffords fence viewers
21^{thly} Voted Ens Jacob Chamberlain Deer Recfe
22^{ndly} Voted Ebenezer Foster John Edmunds & John
Corbin hogg Rieves
23^{rdly} Voted Capt John Curtis Culler of Shingles & Clap-
boards
24^{thly} Voted £50 for Schooling the Insuing year
25^{thly} Voted to put over to may meeting the granting of
money for the Necessary Charges of the Town the year
26^{thly} Voted £50 to mend our highways this year
27^{thly} Voted to work said £50 at 2 / 6 per Day from the 1st
of may to the 1st of October
28^{thly} Voted John Harskel Nathaniel Healy Samuel Eames
Eleazer Putney William Guy Nathaniel Davis & Eleazer
Jackson as School Committee to provide Schooling the Insu-
ing year
29^{thly} Voted to let our Swine run on our Commons the
present year
30^{thly} Voted to grant Stookley Arnold & Philip Moreys
Petition to turn the Road from the Bridge up to the uper Side
of Arnolds moing land to turn up the river till it comes to
said moreys South line then by said line till it comes to the

foot of the hill west of Arnolds house then into the old road
it to be two Rods wide and all on Dudley land

Worcester ss To either of the Constables of the Town of
Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting

In his majestyes Name you are Required forthwith to warn
or Notify the freeholders and other inhabitants of the Town
of Dudley qualified to vote in this meeting to meet at our
meeting House in said Dudley on Thursday the 21st Day of
this Instant may at two of the clock in the afternoon then
and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

1st to Elect and Depute one person to serve for and Rep-
resent us in the great and general Court appointed to be con-
vened held and kept for his majestyes service at Harvard
Collidge in Cambridg upon Wednesday the 27th Day of may
Instant

2^{ndly} to chuse a moderator for the remaining part of said
meeting

3^{rdly} to grant money for the Necessary charges in the Town
this year

4^{thly} to See if the Town will grant more money for Re-
pairing our highways in Said Town the present year

5^{thly} to See if the Town will accept of the List of Jurymen
that shall be laid before them by the Selectmen

6^{thly} to See if the Town will Excuse the Baptist or any
part of them from bringing in their Sertificats yearly agreable
to the late Law of the Province

7^{thly} for the Town to hear and act upon any Petition or
Petitions that shall be laid before them as they shall see fitt

Hereof fail not as you will answer your Defect at the Perril
of the Law in that case made and provided and make Due
Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon unto the
Selectmen of said Town at or before the said Day Dated

at Dudley aforesaid the 7th Day of may in the Twelfth year of his majestyes Reign AD 1772

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Worcester ss may y^e 21st 1772 In obedience to this warrant I have Notified the Several Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley by Setting up this warrant according to the usual Custom of this Town

p^r Nathaniel Davis Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting House in said Town may y^e 21st 1772

1st Voted and Did Not chews a Representative this year

2ndly Voted Jedidiah Marcy Esq^r moderator for the Remainder of said meeting

3rdly Voted 15£ for Necessary charges for this year

4thly Voted 15£ more for to Repair our highways and to be worked out at the same rate that the other highway money is to be

5thly Voted to accept of the List of Jurymen that was laid before them

6thly Voted to Excuse the Baptists that belong to a Baptist Church from bringing their Sertifacats in to the Assessors yearly During the Continuance of the act made in favor of the Baptists and Quakers

7thly Voted to abate Alexander Thompsons Rates that is Due to Edward Davis which is 10 / 6 : 2

June y^e 2nd 1772

We the Subscribers have this Day met and Renewed the Bounds between Oxford and Dudley begining at a maple tree on the Northerly side of the mouth of Robinsons mill Brook

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where it comes out of the Pond thence to a heep of stones on the southerly side of the Brook a little above Robinsons mills then to a heep of stones on the Bank of the River oppose to the mouth of Robinsons mill Brook thence Northerly to a heep of stones a few Rods North of the house of the Heirs of Jeremiah Shumaway Jun^r Deceased thence westerly to a heep of stones on a Rock thence Northerly by a line of mark^d trees to a heep of stones which is Dudley North East Corner thence westerly to a heep of stones which is the South East Corner of Charlton Destrict

Ebenezer Learned } Select men
William Watson } of Oxford

William Larned } Select men
Edward Davis } of Dudley

June y^e 12th 1772 We the Subscribers have this Day met and Renued the Bounds between Dudley and Charlton Begining at a heep of stones in Dudley North line which is Charlton South East Corner and then westerdly by a line of marked trees and heeps of stones till we came to a heep of stones in Sturbridge East line which is Dudley Northwest corner and Charlton Southwest corner

Jedidiah Marcy } Select men
Joshua Vinton } of Dudley
Edward Davis }

Nathaniel Blood } Select men
John Dresser } of Charlton

Worcester ss To Archabild Jewell one of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in the county of Worcester Greeting In his majestyes Name you are hereby Required forthwith to warn and Notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the

Town of Dudley aforesaid qualified to vote in town affairs to meet at our meeting house in said Dudley on Monday the first Day of march next at nine of the clock in the forenoon then & there to act upon the following articals (viz)

first to chews a moderator for said meeting

2ndly to chews Town officers for the Insuing year as the Law Directs

3rdly to See if the Town will let their Swine run at larg on their commons the insuing year

4thly for the Town to grant money to Defray the charge of mending our highways and bridges this year and to agree how the same shall be Expended

5thly to see if the Town will accept of y^e Road as it is now trod leading from the foot bridge over quinnabog River to the Road leading from m^r Joseph Vintons to Col^o Cheney's farm in leu of the Road laid out and accepted by the Town from said bridge to said Road

6thly for the Town to hear and act upon any Petition or Petitions that shall be laid before them as they think fitt and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings therein unto the Select men of said Town at or before the said first Day of march next

Warrant

here of fail not as you will answer your Defect at the Perrill of the Law in that case made and provided Dated at Dudley aforesaid the 15th Day of February in the Thirteenth year of his Majestyes Reign Anno Domini 1773

by order of the Select men

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Dudley march y^e 1st 1773 by Virtue of a warrant to me directed I have warned and Notified the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Dudley quallified to Vote in Town affairs to meete at time and place within mentioned by setting up a warrant at our meeting house and by Verble Notice

P^r Archabild Jewell Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting house in said Dudley on monday the first Day of march anno Domini 1773

- first Voted Jedidiah Marcy Esq moderator for said meeting
 2ndly Voted to have three select men this year
 3rdly Voted to have the select men and Assessors seperate
 4thly Voted to have three assessors this year
 5thly Voted Edward Davis Town Clerk
 6thly Voted Jedidiah Marcy Esq Town Treasurer
 7thly Voted William Larned first select man
 8thly Voted Jacob Warren second select man
 9thly Voted Edward Davis third select man
 10thly Voted David Keith first assessor
 11thly Voted Samuel Kidder second assessor
 12thly Voted Nathaniel Davis third assessor
 13thly Voted Daniel Newell west end constable
 14thly Voted Samuel Eames East End constable
 15thly Voted and accepted John Curtis Jun^r to serve constable for Daniel Newell
 16thly Voted Andrew Brown & Eleazer Putney wardien
 17thly Voted Lemuel Corbin & Samuel Healy Tything men
 18thly Voted Lemuel Corbin Nathaniel Davis Daniel Newell Nathan Jeffords Elijah gore John Edmunds & Thomas Cheney Jun surveyors of highways this year
 19thly Voted Timothy Foster Jun^r & Asa Curtis fence Viewers
 20thly Voted William Carter sealer of weights and measures
 21stly Voted Samuel Kidder sealer of Leather
 22ndly Voted Cap^t John Curtis culler of shingles & clap-boards
 23rdly Voted Samuel Waldron dear rieve
 24thly Voted to let our swine run at large this year
 25thly Voted Henry Hooker & Justin Jewell hogreives
 26thly Voted £65 to Defray the charge of our highways & bridges this year
 27thly Voted to have the same worked out 2 / 6 per Day from the first Day of may to the first Day of october next

28^{thly} Voted that the Surveyors of our highways be collectors of the highway Rates this year

29^{thly} Voted to Put over to may meeting the fifth articals in the warrant viz concerning Jos Vinton Road

30^{thly} Voted to abate the wido grace Smiths Rates in Constable Paul Dodges Lists which is 4^s 0^d 2 and 6^s of Thomas Hutchins Rates in said Dodges Lists

April y^e 7th 1773

We the Subscriber met and begun at a heape of stones one of the Souwest cornerd of Dudley and the norwest corner of Killingley and in the East line of Woodstock and from thence we Perambulated Northerly first to a white oak tree in the Norwest corner of Dudleys farme so called then to a nother white oak tree being the Noreast corner of woodstock from thence we turned west 6° North making a straight line 470 rods to a large heap of stones Easterly of a pine stump and is a nother of the southwest corners of Dudley and Sturbridge Soueast corner and renewed the bounds Every 80 rods

1773

as Witness our hands

Elisha Child } Select men by appoint-
Sam^l Corbin } ment of Woodstock

William Larned } Select men
Edward Davis } of Dudley

Worcester ss to Samuel Eams one of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in the County of Worcester greeting
In his majestyes Name you are Required forthwith to warn and Notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley quallified to Vote in the choice of a Representative to meet at our meeting house in Dudley on Tuesday the 18th Day of may Instant at one of the clock in the afternoon then & there to act upon the following articals (viz)

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first to Elect and Depute one person to serve for and Represent us in a great & General Court or assemble to be held at Boston on wednesday the 26th Day of may aforesaid

2^{ndly} to chews a moderator for the remaining part of said meeting

3^{rdly} to grant money for schooling and for other Necessary charges in our Town for the Present year

4^{thly} to chews a school committee to provide schooling in our Town the Insuing year

5^{thly} to here and act upon any Petition or Petitions that shall be laid before the Town as they see fit

here of fail not and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings there on unto the Select men of said Town at or before the said 18th Day of may corront Dated at Dudley aforesaid the fourth Day of may in the thirteenth year of his majestyes Reign anno :Domini 1773

by order of the Select men

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Dudley may y^e 18th 1773 in obedience to the within writen warrant I have warned and Notified the several Inhabitants within mentioned by seting up this warrant on the sine post by the meeting house as usual to meet at time and place within mentioned

Pr Samuel Eams Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting house in said Town on Tuesday y^e 18th Day of may 1773

first Voted for but did not Elect any Representative for this year

2^{ndly} Voted Jedidiah Marcy Esqr moderator for the Remaining part of said meeting

3^{rdly} Voted 40£ for schooling this year

4^{thly} Voted 5£ for Necessary charges this year

5^{thly} Voted Benjamin morris Jacob Chamberlain Jonathan

Day Nathaniel Davis Nathaniel Healy Joseph Upham Jun^r
and Gideon Sabin to be a school committee to provide school-
ing for the present year in our Town

6^{thly} Voted to abate all Issachar Rickords rates for the
year 1772

7^{thly} Voted to abate Daniel Howard minister Rate for the
year 1772

Worcester ss to either of the constables of Dudley in the
county of Worcester Samuel Emes or John Curtis Jun^r Greet-
ing In his majestyes Name you are Required forthwith to
warn or Notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the
Town of Dudley quallefyed to vote in Town affairs to meet at
our meeting house in said Dudley on monday the 20th Day of
September Instant at one of the clock in the after noon then
and there to act upon the following articals viz

first to chews a moderator for said meeting

2^{ndly} to chuse an assessor a highway surveyer and a School
Committee in the roome of Nathaniel Davis Deceased

3^{rdly} for the Inhabitants to give in to the assessors an in-
voice of their personal Estate

4^{thly} for the Town to consult and act upon the letters from
the Committee of Corespondants at Boston as they see fitt

here of fail not and make Due Return of this warrent with
your Doing thereon unto the select men at or before said
Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this second Day of Septem-
ber in the thirteenth year of his majestyes Reign anno Domini
1773

by order of the select men

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Worcester ss September y^e 20th 1773 In obediant to
this warrant I have Notified the inhabitants of the Town of
Dudley by setting up this warrant at the sine post in Dudley
according to the custom of the Town

John Curtis Jun^r Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting house in said Town on monday y^e 20th Day of September AD 1773

first Voted and chose Cap^t John Curtis moderator for s^d meeting

2ndly Voted Joseph Sabin J^r assessor in the roome of Nath^l Davis Deces^t

3rdly Voted Timo: Foster Jr Surveyor of highways in the roome of Dito

4thly Voted Jonas Fairbanks Schoole Committee in the roome of Dito

5thly Voted not to act upon the letters from the Committee of Corospondants at Boston

Worcester ss To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in the County of Worcester Samuel Emes or John Curtis Jun^r Greeting In his majestyes Name you are hereby Required forthwith to warne or Notify the freeholders and other Inhabetants of the Town of Dudley aforesaid qualified to vote in Town affairs to meete at our meeting house in said Dudley on monday the fourth Day of march next at nine of the clock in the forenoon then and there to act upon the following articals viz)

first to chews a moderator for said meeting

2ndly to chews Town officers for the insuing year as the Law Directs

3rdly to see if the Town will let their swine Run at large this year

4thly to see if the Town will accept of a Road laid out by the Select men from m^r Daniel Dodges west line of his farm across the Indian land (so called) to the Road leading from Ens: Willam Larneds house to our meeting house in lue of the Road that leads from the said Dodges Norwest corner to Dea: Edward Davis^{es} house

5thly for the Town to grant money to Defray the charge of

mending our highways and bridges this year and to agree how the same shall be Expended

6^{thly} for the Town to hear and act upon any Petition or Petitions that shall be laid before them as they thing proper and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon unto us the Subscribers on or before said Day Given under our hand and Seals this Eleventh Day of February in the fourteenth year of his majistyes Reign anno Domini 1774

William Larned }
Jacob Warren } Select men
Edward Davis } of Dudley

Worcester ss march y^e 7th 1774 In obedience to the within written warrant I have warned and Notified the persons within mentioned to meet at time and place herein perfixt by setting this warrant up on our sign post by the meeting house as usual

P^r Samuel Emes Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting house in said Dudley on monday march y^e the Seventh anno Domini 1774

first Voted and chose Jedidiah Marcy Esq^r moderator for said meeting

- 2^{ndly} Voted to have the select men and assessors separate
- 3^{rdly} Voted to have five select men this year
- 4^{thly} Voted to have five assessors this year
- 5^{thly} Voted Edward Davis Town Clerk
- 6^{thly} Voted Jedidiah Marcy Esq^r Town Treasury
- 7^{thly} Voted Jedidiah Marcy Esq^r first select man
- 8^{thly} Voted Ens : William Larned second selectman
- 9^{thly} Voted Cap^t John Curtis third selectman
- 10^{thly} Voted Edward Davis fourth select man
- 11^{thly} Voted Joseph Healy fifth selectman
- 12^{thly} Voted Joseph Sabin Jun^r first assessor
- 13^{thly} Voted Edward Davis second assessor

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- 14thly Voted Ichabod Chamberlain third assessor
 15thly Voted Timothy Foster Jun^r fourth assessor
 16thly Voted Jonas Fairbank fifth assessor
 17thly Voted Ens: Samuel Healy west end constable
 18thly Voted Samuel Waldron east end constable
 19thly Voted Asa Curtis and Benjamin Kidder Jun^r wardians
 20thly Voted Samuel Kidder and Joseph U^rham Jun^r Tything men
 21stly Voted Cap^t John Curtis culler of shingles and clapboards
 22ndly Voted Joseph Edmunds Archabild Jewell Philip Newell Jun^r Timothy Foster Jun^r Ralph Vinton John Warren and Nathan Jeffords highway surveyors
 23rdly Voted that the surveyors of the highways be collectors of the highway Rates
 24thly Voted Capt William Carter sealar of weights and measurs
 25thly Voted Samuel Kidder sealar of Leather
 26thly Voted Jacob Chamberlain Jun^r & George Robinson fence viewers
 27thly Voted John Bacon Deer Rieve
 28thly Voted to let our swine Run at large on our commons this year
 29thly Voted John Thompson moses Chamberlain & Josiah Hovey hog Reives
 30thly Voted fifty pounds for to mend our highways and bridges this year
 31stly Voted to work out the same at 2 / 6 per Day from the first Day of may to the first Day of october
 32ndly Voted to abate the widow Sarah Slys minister Rates in Constable Samuel Emes List for the year 1773 it being 12 / 2 : 2
 33rdly Voted to abate one Poll in Obadiah Sabin Rates in John Curtis Jun^r lists for the year 1773 it being 8 / 8
 34thly Voted that the Selectmen should purchis a Cow for the use of m^r Alexander Thompsons family During ye pleasure of ye Town

35thly Voted to accept of a Road Laid out by the selectmen of the Town of Dudley November y^e 22nd 1773 a cross the Indian land so called for m^r Daniel Dodge in Lue of the Road that leads from his Norwest corner of his farme to Dea Edward Davis house begining at a small chestnut tree marked near the west line of the said Dodges farme westerly from his house then leading westerly on the said Indian land to a black oak tree marked then to a white oak then to a small black oak then to a stake and stones in the line between the said Dea Davis land and the Indian land there turning southerly by said Davis east line till it comes to the Road leading from Ens: William Larned house to our meeting house said Road is two Rods wide and the marks are on the northerly and westerly side of the Road

Dodges Road

William Larned } Selectmen
Edward Davis } of Dudley

Said Davis to make the new Road as good as the old Road now is Reletive to mire & water that is where it is more mirey to copy till it is as good

Worcester ss To Either of the constables of the Town of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting In his majestyes Name you are Required forthwith to warne or Notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualified by Law to vote for a Representative to meet at our meeting house in said Dudley on Thursday the Ninteenth Day of may Instant at one of the clock in the afternoon then and there to act upon the following articals viz

first to Elect and Depute one Person to serve for and Represent us at the Great and General court to be holden at Boston on wednesday the 25th Day of this Instant may and so from time to time During the sessions of said court the insuing year

2ndly to chews a moderator for the Remaining part of said meeting

3rdly to chews a School Committee to provide Schooling in our town the currant year

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4thly to grant money to defray the charge of schooling and other Necessary charges in the Town this year

5thly for the Town to act Reletive to buring places in our Town as they shall think fitt

6thly for to see if the Town well finish the back pues in the wemens gallarys or to grant them to such perticuler persons for the benefitt of the weomen as the Town shall think fitt

7thly for the Town to here and act upon any Petition or Petitions that shall be laid before them as they think fitt

and make Due Return of this warrent with your Doings thereon unto us the Subscriber at or before the said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid the 5th Day of may in the fourteenth year of his majestyes Reign anno : Domini 1774

Jedidiah Marcy	} Selectmen of Dudley
William Larned	
John Curtis	
Edward Davis	
Joseph Healy	

may y^e 19th 1774 In obedeants to this warrant I have warned the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley by setting this up at the sign poste as usual as the Law Directs

Samuel Healy Constable

At a meeting of the Inhabetants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting house in our Town on Thursday the 19th Day of may 1774

first voted and did not chews a Representative

2ndly Voted Jedidiah marcy Esqr: moderator for the Remaining part of this meeting

3rdly Voted Capt: Nath^l Healy Asa Curtis W^m Carter Joseph Carpenter Ebenezer Ammidon Joseph Davis & Benjamin Stone a School Committee to provide Schooling in our Town this year

4thly Voted £50 for Schooling this year

5^{thly} Voted £15 for other Necessary charges in our town this year

6^{thly} Voted Joseph Vinton Edward Davis & Nathan Jeffords a Committee to see about our burying places in our Town & make Report to the Town

7^{thly} Voted for the Town to build the back pues in the weomens gallery in our meeting

8^{thly} Voted to Ens: William Larned and Jonathan Day that pue in our meeting house the North side of the weomens staires

9^{thly} Voted to abate William Gordens Rates in Constable Curtis list for the year 1774 it being S / S

10^{thly} Voted not to act upon Timothy Fosters Petition and other about seats for singing .



Worcester ss To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in said County Greeting In his majestyes Name you are hereby Directed forthwith to warne the freeholders and other inhabitants of the said Town of Dudley quallified to vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting house in said Dudley on Thursday the 30th Day of this Instant June at three of the clock in the after noone then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

first to chews a moderator for said meeting

2^{ndly} for the Town to chews a Committee to Dispose of the pues back of the weamans gallaraes that was nuly build in our meeting house as the Town shall agree

3^{rdly} to here and act upon any Petition or Petitions that shall be laid before the Town as they think fitt

here of fail Not as you would answer your Defect at the Perrill of the Law in that case made and provided and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Select men at or before the said Day Dated at

Dudley Town Records, 1774.

Dudley aforesaid the Twenty fourth Day June anno Domini
1774

by order of the Select men

Edward Davis Town Clerk

In obedience to this warrant I have warned the freeholders
and y^e other inhabitants of the Town by setting up this at the
Sign Poste as usual Dudley June y^e 30th 1774

Samuel Healey Constable

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley
Regularly assembled at our meeting house in said Town on
Thursday the 30th Day of June anno Domini 1774

first Voted and chose Ens: W^m Larned moderater of sd
meeting

2ndly Voted Capt John Curtis Ens: W^m Larned and Ed-
ward Davis a Committee to Dispose of the pues that are Nuly
built in our meeting house back of the weomans gallares to
such persons as they shall judge they blong to and to set the
time when the pues shall be paid for and if not paid for by
that time to Dispose of them to others

3rdly Voted to grant Elisha Coburns & others petition for
a Committee of Corespondance

4thly Voted Capt: John Curtis Lt Tim^o Foster Joseph
Vinton Archabald Jewell & Elisha Corbin a Committee of
Corespondance to corespond with the other Committees of
Corespondance in other Towns

To all the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of
Dudley in the County of Worcester that are sixteen years old
and upwards you are hereby Desired to meet at our meeting
house in said Town on monday the 19th Day of September
Instant at ten of the clock in the fore noon then and there
to act upon the following articals (viz)

first to choose a moderator for said meeting
2ndly to see what Town stock the Town will have provided
more than we now have

3rdly to choose militia officers for our Town

4thly to act upon any other of our publick affairs as the
Town shall think proper

Dated at Dudley aforesaid the 12th Day of September anno
Domini 1774

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Dudley September y^e 19th 1774 I have Notefyed the In-
habetants of this Town to meet at time & place and for the
purposes within mentioned by seting up this Notifycation at
the meeting house

by order of the select men

Edward Davis

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley
assembled at our meeting house on monday the 19th Day of
September AD 1774

first Voted and chose Ens: W^m Larned moderator for sd
meeting

2ndly Voted 100^{lb} of powder 400^{lb} of lead and 10 doz of
flints to be added to our Town stock

3rdly Voted to have 5 men as a Committee to propose
proper measurs how our militia officers shall be chosen

4thly Voted Colo. Thos Cheney m^r Jacob Warren Ens W^m
Larned Ens: Jacob Chamberlain & m^r Elisha Corbin. for to
be s^d Committee

5thly Voted to accept the Committee Report for to choose
all the officers that was there last officers till further orders

6thly Voted for all the militia officers both commissions &
non commissions to be our officers till further orders

7thly Voted that the said officers have full power as they
had before by Law on every account

Dudley Town Records, 1774.

8thly Voted to send a Representative to the provincial congress to be holden at Concord on the second Tuesday of october next

9thly Voted Colo: Thomas Cheney as our^r Representative for to goe to Concord to said Congress

10thly Voted that the assessors shall not assess the province nor County Rate this year

11thly Voted to Excuse all the Baptist from ministereal Rates this year that has heretofore brought in surtificates

12thly Voted that our constable Samuel Healy shall not make any Return of Jurymen in obedience to the New act of parliament and that the Town save him harmeless

Worcester ss To Either of the constables of the Town of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting In his majestyes Name you are hereby Directed forthwith to warn or Notify the freeholders and other inhabitants of said Town quallefyed to vote for a Representative to meet at our meeting house in s^d Dudley on Tuesday the 27th Day of September Instant at three o clock in the after noon then and there to choose a Representative to Represent us at the Great and General court to be holden at Salem on the fifth Day of october next &c

and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings to the Select men at or before said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid the 23rd Day of September anno Dommini 1774

by order of the Select men

Edward Davis Town Clerk

In obedience to the warrant I have warned the freeholders and other Inhabetants by setting up this at the Sign post as usual

Dudley September the 27th 1774

Samuel Healy Constable

At a meeting of the Inhabetants of the Town of Dudley Regularly Assembled at our meeting house on Tuesday the 27th Day of September 1774

first Voted Colo : Thomas Cheney our Representative

To either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in y^e County of Worcester Greeting you are hereby Directed forthwith to warn the freeholders and other Inhabitants of of the Town of Dudley to meet at our meeting house in said Dudley on monday the 28th Day of November Instant at ten of the clock in the forenoon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

first to choose a moderator for said meeting

2ndly for the Town to give the Assessors and Constables Instruction in their Respective offices and to act in any matter Reletive thereto as they think best

3rdly to see if the Town will procure and lay up some provitions for the minnit men if needed for them or any other use that they shall order and act Reletive to said minnit men cost of fitting them selves as the Town sees fitt

4thly to see if the Town will Drop their non Importation agreement and adopt the Grand Congresses Resolves Relitive thereto and act on any other matters Reletive to said Resolves as the Town thinks best

and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon unto the select men at or before said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this 16th Day of Novem^r anno Domini 1774 by order of the Select men

Edward Davis Town Clerk

In obedience to this warrant I have warned freeholders and y^e other Inhabitants by setting up this warrant at the sign poste as usual

Dudley Novem^r 28th 1774

Samuel Healy Constable

At a meeting of the Inhabetants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting house on monday the 28 Day of Novem^r 1774

first Voted Capt Curtis moderator for said meeting

2ndly Voted that the Constables shall not pay the moneys in there hands or that they shall colect to the province Treasurer that was assessed in the year 1773

3rdly Voted for the Constables to colect the Remainders of their Lists forthwith and to keep the province money in their hands till further orders

4thly Voted to choose a Committee to assist in settling and astablishing of the minnit men

5thly Voted Joseph Vinton Capt morress major Larned andrew Brown & Archabald Jewell for said Committee

6thly Voted to adjourn this meeting to monday the 19th Day of Decem^r next at one of the clock in the afternoon persisely niet according to adjournment and proceeded and voted

first not to lay up any provitions for the minnit men now

2nd Voted to take the money in the Constables hands and purchis half a chest of guns with Bayonets for the Town

3rdly Voted to Drop the non-importation agreement signed by the major part of the Town and to adopt the grand Congress^{es} Resolves Reletive there to and to adhear to said Congress in all matters what soever

4thly Voted major Larned Joseph Vinton Cap^t morress Joseph Upham Cornet Day Jacob Warren Joseph Sabin J^r Capt Carter and Ens: Jeffords as a Committee of Inspection to see that the grand Congresses Resolves are carried into Execution

5thly Voted that the assessors shall assess the province Rate forth with

To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting you are hereby Required forthwith to warne the freeholders and other Inhabetants of

the Town of Dudley qualified to vote for Representatives to meet at our meeting house in said Dudley on monday the second Day of January next at one of the clock in the afternoon then and there to act upon the following articals viz

first to choose a moderator for said meeting

2^{ndly} to Elect and Depute a person or persons to Represent us in a provintial Congress to be held at Cambridge on the first Day of February next and to give then instructions to meet sooner if need Requires

3^{rdly} to choose a committee for to take care about the contrebution for Boston & Charlstown

4^{thly} to hear the Reporte of the Committee chosen to view the burying places in our Town and act there on as the Town sees fitt

5^{thly} for the Town to act on any of our publick affairs as need shall cale for

here of fail not and make Due Return of this warrent with your Doings thereon unto the select men at or before said Day

Dated at Dudley aforesaid this Twentyeth Day of Decem^r anno Domini 1774

by order of the select men

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Agreeable to the within written warrant I have warned the freeholders & other Inhabitants of the town of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned by setting up this warrant at the sign post as is usual

Dudley January 2nd 1775

Samuel Waldron Constable

At a meeting of the Inhabetants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting house on monday the 2nd Day of January 1775

first voted and chose Col^o Cheney moderator for said meeting

2^{ndly} voted and chose Colo: Cheney to Represente us at

the provincial Congress to be holden at Chambridge on the first Day of February next or sooner if need be

3rdly voted Ens: Chamberlain Capt morriss & Lt Keith a Committee to take care about the contrabution for the poor of Boston & Charlstown

4thly voted for the Select men to gitt a deed of m^r gleason of our burying place by him and to ad to it as conveniance will permet

5thly voted to Reconsider that vote past last meeting to take the province moneys in the Constables hands to purchis guns

6thly voted to have our Constables pay their province moneys unto Henry gardner Esqr of Stow and that his receipt shall be their Discharge from any demands from the province Treasurer Harrison gray Esqr

7thly voted to adjorn said meeting without Day

Worcester ss To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting you are hereby Directed forthwith to warn and notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley quallified to vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting house in said Dudley on monday the Sixth Day of march next at nine of the clock in the forenoon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

first to choose a moderator for said meeting

2ndly to choose Town officers for the insuing year as the Law Direct

3rdly to see if the Town will let their Swine run at large this year

4thly for the Town to grant money to Defray the charges of our highways and bridges the current year and to agree how the same shall be expended

5thly to see if the Town will accept of a Road laid out by the select men on the west side of the burying place across m^r

gleasons Lot and Discontinue the Road that was laid out on the south end of the burying place and across the East end of said m^r gleasons lot and appropriate said Road to the use of of the Town to bury in so far as it adjoins to the burying place

6^{thly} to choose a county Treasurer

7^{thly} to see if the Town will accept of the Road Leading from the foot brigge over Quinnabog River to the Road from mr Joseph Vintons to Colo Cheney's where it is now trod in lue of where it was laid out

8^{thly} to hear and act upon any petition or petitions that shall be laid before the Town as they see fitt

And make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon unto us at or before said Day

Dated at Dudley aforesaid this seventeenth Day of February anno Domini 1775

Jedidiah Marcy	}	Selectmen of Dudley
William Larned		
John Curtis		
Edward Davis		
Joseph Healy		

In obedience to this warrant I have warned the freeholders and the other Inhabitants to meet at our meeting house by setting this up at the sign post as usual

Dudley march y^e 6th 1775

Samuel Healy Constable

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting house on monday the sixth Day of march anno Domini 1775

first voted and chose Esq^r marcy moderator for said meeting

2^{ndly} voted to have 5 select men this year

3^{rdly} voted Esq^r marcy first selectman

4^{thly} voted major w^m Larned second selectman

5^{thly} voted Cap^t Curtis third selectman

6^{thly} voted Joseph Vinton fourth selectman

- 7^{thly} voted Edward Davis fifth selectman
 8^{thly} voted Edward Davis Town Clerk
 9^{thly} voted Esq^r marcy Town Treasurer
 10^{thly} voted to have three assessors this year
 11^{thly} voted Joseph Sabin Jr first assessor
 12^{thly} voted David Keith second assessor
 13^{thly} voted Timothy Foster Jr third assessor
 14^{thly} voted John Curtis Jun^r west end constable
 15^{thly} voted Benjamin Kidder Jr east end constable
 16^{thly} voted Joseph Edmunds and Jacob Chamberlain Jr
 wardians
 17^{thly} voted Andrew Brown and Justus Jewell Tithing men
 18^{thly} voted Cap^t Curtis Culler of shingles and clapboards
 19^{thly} voted Andrew Brown Cornet Day Lemuel Corbin
 Ebenezer Amidon John Bacon John Vinton & moses Jewell
 surveyors of highways and collectors of the highway Rates
 20^{thly} voted to accept Jonas Fairbank to serve constable for
 Benj^a Kidder Jr
 21^{stly} voted Cap^t Carter sealer of weights & measurs
 22^{ndly} voted Samuel Kidder sealer of Leather
 23^{rdly} voted Samuel Palmer & moses Chamberlain fence
 viewers
 24^{thly} voted Timothy Foster Jun^r Deer Riefe
 25^{thly} voted to let our swine rune at large on our commons
 this year
 26^{thly} voted gideon Sabin John Warren Japheth Corttis &
 Daniel Heberd hog Rieves
 27^{thly} voted £50 for to Defray the charge of our highway
 & bridges this year
 28^{thly} voted to have the same worked out at 2 / 6 per Day
 from the first of may to the first of october
 29^{thly} voted to accept of the Road from m^r gleasons wall
 east of his house to the burying place and on the west side of it
 across his lot into the Road by m^r gleasons Noreast corner and
 Discontinue the Road on the south end of the burying place
 and across the east end of said mr gleasons lot and appropriate

said Road to the use of the Town for to bury in so far as it adjoins to the buring place

30^{thly} voted to accept of the Road from the foot bridge over Quinnaboge River to the Road from mr Joseph Vintons to Colo: Cheney's where it is now trod in lue of where it was laid out

31^{stly} voted to abate the widow Robinsons minister Rates for 1774

32^{ndly} voted not to grant Esq^r marceys petition

33^{rdly} voted & granted the select mens petition to Reconsider that vote that was past by the Town the 2 Day of January last to have y^e Constables Emes & Curtis pay the province moneys in their hands to Esq^r Gardnær of Stow and to have it paid to the selectmen

24^{thly} voted to abate Jonathan Stones Rates in constable Emes Lists



A Road laid out by the select men of Dudley begining at a wall east of mr gleasons house by the Road then Runing east-erly by Capt Carters land to the buring place then turns Northerly by said buring place to a chesnut tree then Northerly by the buring place to a stake and stones being the Nor: west corner of it then Northerly through mr gleasons land into the former Road to a stake and stones in said Carters west line the bounds of said Road is on the Easterly and Southerly sides of it and is three Rods wide from mr gleasons wall to the buring place and from that two Rods wide to the North end of said Road

Road

Dudley January y^e 9th 1775

accepted march y^e 6th 1775

Jedidiah marcy	} Selectmen of Dudley
John Curtis	
Edward Davis	
Joseph Healy	



Dudley Town Records, 1775.

To either of the constables of the Town of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting you are hereby Directed forthwith to warne and Notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote for a Representative to meet at our meeting house in said Dudley on monday the 29th Day of may instant at one o'clock in the after noon then and there to act upon the following articals viz

first to Elect and Depute a person or persons to Represent us in a provincial Congress to be held at the meeting house in watertown on the 31st Day of may instant and to be continued by adjournment as they shall see cause until the expiration of six from said 31st instant and no longer

2ndly to choose a moderator for the Remainder part of said meeting

3rdly to grant money for schooling and other Necessary charges for this year

4thly to choose a school Committee to provide schooling for the present year

5thly to agree and order how the highway Rate shall be assessed

6thly to see if the Town will have our Town stock removed and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon unto the select men at or before the said 29th Day of may Instant

Dated at Dudley aforesaid the 15th Day of may anno Domini 1775

by order of the selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Dudley may the 29th 1775

In obedience to this warrant I have warned & Notified the Inhabitants herein mentioned by setting up this warrant two Publick Days at the Signe Post at our meeting house in Dudley

Jonas Fairbank } one of the Constables
 } of Dudley

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley

Regularly assembled at our meeting house on monday the 29th Day of may AD 1775

first voted and chose major W^m Larned as a Dellegate to Represent us at a provincial Congress to be held at Watertown on the 31st Day of may Instant and so from time to time for six months

2^{ndly} voted major Larned moderator for the Remainder of said meeting

3^{rdly} voted 25£ for schooling our children this year

4^{thly} voted 10£ for other Necessary charges this year

5^{thly} voted Asa Curtis Cornet Day Ralph Vinton John Blood mr Joseph Upham mark Dodge & Joseph Healy as a school Committee this year

6^{thly} voted not to assess our highway Rates till further order

7^{thly} voted to have our Town stock Remooved by the selectmen

8^{thly} voted to adjorn this meeting without Day

agreeable to Notification the Town met on wednesday the 14th Day of June 1775 at five of the clock in the afternoon for to act Reletive to our province money in the constables hands for 1773 & 1774 collected and to be collected by them and

first voted Capt John Curtis moderator P:T for that meeting

2^{ndly} voted and Reconsidered that vote past by the Town the 6th Day of march last for to have the province money paid to the selectmen

3^{rdly} voted that our Constables for the years 1773 & 1774 do as soon as may be pay their province money in their hands that is collected and collect and pay that that is not now collected to Henry Gardner Esq^r of Stow our Receiver General and his Receipt shall be their Discharge

4^{thly} voted to adjorn this meeting without Day

To the Selectmen of the Town of Dudley :

Dudley Town Records, 1773-5.

whereas I the Subscriber haveing no Estate and by Reason of old age and other infirmitys am unable to procure sustanance for my natural life I must therefore cast myself on your care under God for my maintainance this from your Humble Needy friend

Dated at Dudley y^e 11th Day of august anno 1773

John Corttis

To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in to County of Worcester Greeting you are hereby Directed forth with to warn and Notify the freeholders and other Inhabetants of Dudley aforesaid qualified to vote for a Representative to meet at our meeting house in said Town of Dudley on monday the 3rd Day of July next at four o clock in the after noon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

first to Elect and Depute a person to Represent us in a Great and General Court or assembly to be convened held and kept for the service of this colony at the meeting house in watertown upon wednesday the 19th Day of July next and so During their Sessions till the Day preceding the last wednesday of may next if Necessary

2ndly to choose a moderator for the Remainder of said meeting

3rdly to Dismiss our Committee of Corespondance and to choose a new Committee

here of fail not and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings there on at or before the said third Day of July Next Dated at Dudley aforesaid this 26th Day of June anno Domini 1775

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

July y^e 3rd 1775

In obedience to this warrant I have

warned the Inhabitants of this Town by seting up this warrant
at the sign poste in Dudley

John Curtis J^r Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley
legually warned and Regularly assembl'd at our m̄eting house
on monday y^e 3rd of July 1775

first voted major W^m Larned our Representative

2ndly voted major W^m Larned moderator for the Remainder
of this meeting

3rdly voted to Dismiss our Committee of Corespondance

4thly voted Capt John Curtis Edward Davis Jacob Warren
Elisha Corbin and Capt W^m Carter a Committee of Cores-
pondance for our Town

5thly voted to adjorn this meeting without Day

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley agreeable to the
adjournment of our last Town meeting you are hereby Noti-
fyed to meet at our meeting house in said Town on monday
the 25th Day of September Instant at 4 oclock in the after-
noon Then and there to act upon the following articals viz

first to choose a moderator for said meeting

2ndly to vote som Instructions to our Representatives Rela-
tive to his nomanating to the council a Justice of the peace or
any other officer that may be needed by our Town that is to
be appointed by said Council

Dated at Dudley the 15th Day of Septem^r anno Domini 1775
by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Dudley Septem^r y^e 25th 1775 by order of the Selectmen
I have Notified the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley to
meet at time and place within mentioned by seting up a Noti-

fycation at the Signe post by our meeting house as usual
Edward Davis Town Clerk

At a meeting of the Inhabetants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting house on monday the 25th Day of September 1775

first voted Capt Curtis moderator for said meeting
2ndly voted to Instruct our Representative not to Nominate any person as a Justice of the peace for our Town at present adjourned said meeting without Day

agreeable to the adjornment of our last Town meeting and Notice given the Town meet at our meeting house on Tuesday the 5th Day of December 1775 to vote som instructions to our Representative Capt Curtis being moderator

first voted to instruct our Representative to use his influence in our general assembly that they joyn with the other three New England assembly in Remonstrating and Petitioning the Honourable Contenantal Congress on account of the late Establishment of the Continantal army in that they have raised the wages of the officers and not given no more encouragement to the Soldery (which heas caused such general uneasiness in said New England) and

secondly that the said Congress would look into the proseadings of the Commissary General and Regulate and alter all matters as shall be for the peace and interests of the Contenant

3rdly voted to adjorn this meeting without Day

march y^e 5th 1776 the votes in Dudley for a County Register was 47 and all for m^r William young of Worcester

Worcester ss To either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting :

you are hereby Directed forthwith to warn and Notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting house in said Town on monday the 4th Day of march next at nine o clock in the fore noon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

first to choose a moderator for said meeting

2ndly to choose Town officers for the Insuing year as the Law Directs

3rdly to see if the Town will let their swine run at large this year

4thly to act Relitive to our highways and highway money as the Town sees fitt

5thly to see if the Town will accept of the Road laid out by the selectmen from mr Eleazer Jacksons into the Road that leads from Robinsons mills to our meeting house

6thly to choose a county Treasurer and a Regester of Deeds for our county

7thly to choose a Committee of Corespondance Inspection and Safety for our Town for the Insuing year

8thly to hear and act upon any petition or petitions that shall be laid before the Town as they see fitt ;

hereof fail not and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon unto the selectmen at or before said Day Dated at Dudley afore said this 15th Day of February anno : Domini 1776

William Larned	} Selectmen of Dudley
John Curtis	
Joseph Vinton	
Edward Davis	

Worcester ss march ye 4th 1776 In obedience to this warrant I have warned the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley to meet at the time and place appointed by setting up a warrant at the signe post in Dudley

John Curtis Constable of Dudley

at a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting house in Dudley on Monday the fourth Day of march 1776

first voted and Chose major W^m Larned moderator for said meeting

- 2ndly voted to have five selectmen this year
- 3rdly voted Esq^r Jidth Marcy first selectman
- 4thly voted Cap^t John Curtis second selectman
- 5thly voted m^r Joseph Vinton third selectman
- 6thly voted Edward Davis fourth selectman
- 7thly voted Cap^t W^m Carter fifth selectman
- 8thly voted Edward Davis Town Clerk
- 9thly voted Esq^r Jed marcy Town Treasurer
- 10thly voted to have three assessors this year
- 11thly voted Joseph Sabin Jun^r first assessor
- 12thly voted Edward Davis second assessor
- 13thly voted Timothy Foster Jun^r third assessor
- 14thly voted Samuel Kidder west end constable
- 15thly voted Lt David Keith east end constable
- 16thly voted Samuel Emes & Ralph Vinto wardians
- 17thly voted Moses Jewell & Mark Dodge tything men
- 18thly voted Capt John Curtis culler of shingles and clapboards
- 19thly voted Andrew Brown Cornet Jonat:Day Lemuel Corbin Ebenezer Amidon John Bacon John Vinton & Moses Jewell surveyors of highways
- 20thly voted that the surveyors be collectors of the highway rates
- 21stly voted Cap^t W^m Carter sealer of weights and measurs
- 22ndly voted Asa Curtis sealer of leather
- 23rdly voted John Delrymbell & Ebenezer White fence viewers
- 24thly voted John Bacon Deer Rieve
- 25thly voted to let our swine run at large this year
- 26thly voted Jesse Sabin Benjamin Edmunds & John Thompson Hog Reives

27thly voted to add £10 to our last years grant of highway money the whole to be assessed this year

28thly voted to have the same worked out at 2 / 6 per Day from the first of may to the first of October

29thly voted to accept of that Road from mr Eleazer Jacksons over westerly into the Road that leads from Robinsons mills to our meeting house

30thly voted Archabald Jewell Jacob Warren Cornet Jonat Day Cap^t Nath^l Healy and Lemuel Corbin a Committee of Correspondance Inspection & Safety for our Town this year

31stly voted and granted Timothy Foster Jun^r petition for 7 / paid for sawing planks for the Bridge near Lt Fosters

32ndly voted not to grant Ens Jeffords petition

33rdly voted not to act on the petition Relitive to Coburns pue at present

the above officers have taken their oaths

A Road laid out by the selectmen of Dudley November y^e 21st 1775 begining by the Road leading from Oxford to Killingley by the line between Eleazor Jacksons and Eliakim Robinsons said Road to be two Rods wide and one Rod on said Eliakim land by the other road and comes into the line between Robinson & Jacksons in about 12 Rods from where it begins by said Road and then by said Robinsons line on Jacksons land to his Norwest corner then to a stake and stones two Rods south of Joseph Carpenters souwest Corner then to a Chesnut tree in a stoney hollow then to a white oak stadle by land of the Heirs of Nathaniel Davis Deceased then to a black burch tree in a stoney run then to a white oak tree two Rods south of William Wakefield south line of his land then to a Chesnut stadle by the Road leading from Robinsons mills to our meeting house in major W^m Larned land by said Wakefields land two rods as aforesaid Said Road is on Jacksons

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Robinsons said Heirs & major W^m Larneds land and leads westerly and was accepted by the Town march ye 4th 1776

Jedidiah Marcy	} Selectmen of Dudley
W ^m Larned	
John Curtis	
Jos: Vinton	
Edward Davis	

Worcester ss to Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting you are hereby Directed forthwith to warn & Notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley aforesaid quallefied to vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting house in said Town on monday the 27th Day of may Instant at two of the clock in the after noon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

first to Choose a moderator for said meeting

2ndly to grant money for schooling for the present year

3rdly to Choose a School Committee to provide schooling this year in our Town

4thly to give our Representative instructions agreeable to the directions of the General Court Reletive to Independants

5thly to hear and act upon any petition or petitions that shall be laid before the Town as they see fitt

and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings there on at or before said Day; Dated at Dudley aforesaid the 13th Day of may anno: Domini 1776

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualified to vote for a Representative you are alike required to meet at time and place above mentioned in order to choose a Representative to serve for and Represent us at Great and General

Court to be convened & held at the meeting House in Water-
town on wednesday the 29th Day of this Instant may and in
their several sessions the Insuing year

Dudley may y^e 18th 1776

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Dudley may y^e 27th Day 1776 In obedience to this war-
rant I have warned all the Freeholders and other Inhabetants
of the Town of Dudley to appear at time and place within
mentioned by setting up this warrant at the sign post in said
Town

p^r me

David Keith Constable

At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabetants of
the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting
house in said Town on monday the 27th Day of may anno:
Domini 1776

first voted and Chose major William Larned our Repre-
sentative

2ndly voted Jedidiah marcy Esq^r modorator for the Re-
mainder of this meeting

3rdly voted 50 pounds for schooling this year

4thly voted Philipp Newell Jacob Chamberlain Lemuel
Corbin John Vinton Samuel Palmer John Brackatt & Samuel
Waldron as a School Committee to provide schooling in our
Town the year insuing

5thly voted to Instruct our Representative agreeable to the
Directions of the General Court Reletive to Independants

6thly voted not to abate D^r Sam^l Waldrons minister Rates
for the year 1775

7thly voted to Jedidiah marcy Esq^r that pue in our meeting
house thats between Vintons & Conants pues on the same
footing the other pues are granted to others he paying four
pounds Lawful money for said pue and Building of it for the

Benefit of William Coburn & famaly to be paid to the Town
 Marey has paid the above four pounds to the Town by
 Necessares found for Coburn and famaly

In Congress July 4th 1776

A Declaration by the Representatives of the United States
 of America in General Congress Assembled

When in the Course of human Events it becomes necessary
 for one people to dissolve the political Bands which have
 Connected them with another and to assume among the
 powers of the Earth the separate and equal station to which
 the Laws Nature and Natures God entitle them a decent
 Respect to the opinions of Mankind requires that they should
 declare the causes which impel them to the separation

We hold these Truths to be self-evident that all men are
 created equal that they are endowed by their Creator with
 certain unalienable Rights that among these are Life
 Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness that to secure these
 Rights governments are instatuted among men deriving their
 just powers from the consent of the governed that when-
 ever any Form of government becomes distructive of these
 ends it is the Right of the people to alter or to abolish it, and
 to institute new governments laying its Foundation on such
 princeples and organising its powers in such Form as to them
 shall seem moste likely to affect their safety and Happiness.
 Prudence indeed will dictate that governments long established
 should not be changed for light and transent Causes; and ac-
 cordingly all Experience hath shewn that Mankind are more
 disposed to suffer while Evils are sufferable then to Right
 themselves by abolishing the Forms to which they are ac-
 customed. But when a long Train of abuses and usurpations
 persuing invariably the same object evinces a Design to reduce
 them under absolute Despotism it is their Right it is their
 Duty to throw off such government and to provide new guards
 for their future security. Such has been the patient sufferance

of these Coloneys and such is now the Necessaty which constrains them to alter their former systems of government. The History of the present King of Great-Brittain is a History of repeated injurys and usurpation all having in direct Object the Establishment of an absolute Tyrant over these States: To prove this let facts be submitted to a canded World.

He has refused his assent to Laws the moste wholsome and Necessary for the publick good

He has forbidden his governors to pass Laws of immediate and pressing importance unless suspended in their operation untill his assent should be obtained; and when so suspended he has utterly neglected to attend to them.

He has refused to pass other Laws for the accomodation of large Destricts of people unless those would relinquish the Right of Representation in the Legislature a Right inestimable to them and formidable to Tirants only.

He has called together Legislative Bodys at places unusual uncomfortable and distant from the Depository of their publick Records for the sole purpose of fatiguing them into compli-ance with his measures.

He has dissolved Representative houses repeatedly for opposing with manly Firmuess his Invasions on the Rights of the people.

He has refused for a long time after such Desolutions to cause others to be elected: Whereby the Legislative powers incapable of annihilation have returned to the people at large for their Exercise the State remaining in the mean time exposed to all the Dangers of Invasion from without and convulsions within.

He has endeavoured to prevent the population of those States; for that Purpose obstructing the Laws for Naturaliza-tion of Foreigners; refusing to pass others to encourage their migrations hither and raising the conditions of new appropri-ations of Lands

He has obstructed the administration of Justice by refusing his assent to Laws for establishing judiciary powers.

He has made Judges dependant on his Will alone for the

tenure of their offices and the amount and payment of their salaries

He has erected a multitude of new offices and sent hither swarms of officers to harrass our people and eat out their substance.

He has kept among us in Times of peace standing armies without the consent of our Legislature.

He has affected to render the military independant of and superior to the Civil power.

He has combined with others to subject us to a jurisdiction foreign to our Constitution and unacknowledged by our Laws giving his assent to their acts of pretended Legislation

For quartering large Bodies of armed Troops among us ;

For protecting them by a mock Trial from punishment for any murders which they should commit on the inhabitants of these States :

for cutting off our Trade with all parts of the world

For imposing taxes on us without our consent

For depriving us in many cases of the Benefit of Trial by *July

For transporting us beyond seas to be tried for pretended offences

For abolishing the free system of English Laws in a neighboring provincē establishing therein an arbitrary government and enlarging its Boundaries so as to render it at once an Example and fit Instrument for Introducing the same absolute Rule into these Colonies

For taking away our Charters abolishing our most valuable Laws and altering fundamentally the forms of our governments

For suspending our own Legislatures and Declaring themselves invested with power to legislative for us in all cases whatsoever

He has abdicated government here by declaring us out of his protection and waging war against us

He has plundered our seas ravished our coasts burnt our Towns and destroyed the Lives of our people

*Jury doubtless meant.—ED,

He is at this Time transporting large armies of foreign mercenaries to compleat the works of Death Desolation and Tyranny already begun with circumstances of cruelty and perfedly scarcely parelled in the most barbarous ages and totally unworthy the Head of a sivilized Nation

He has constrained our Fellow citizens taken captive on the high seas to bare armes against their Country ; to become the Executioners of their Friends and Brethren or to fall themselves by their Hands

He has excited Domistic Insurrections amongst us and has endeavoured to bring on the Inhabitants of our Frontiers the merceless Indian savages whose known Rule of warfare is an undistinguished Distruction of all ages sexes and conditions

In every stage of the oppressions we have petitioned for Redress in the moste Humble terms : Our repeated petitions have been answered only by repeated Injurs ; A prince whose carractor is thus marked be every act which may define a Tirant is unfit to be the Ruler of a free people ;

Nor have we been wanting in attention to our British Bretheren. We have warned from Time to Time of attemp by their Legislature to extend and unwarrantable Jurisdiction over us. We have reminded them of the circumstances of our Emigration and settlement here. We have appealed to their native Justice and magnanimety and we have conjured them by the Ties of our common Kindred to disavow these usurpations which would inevitable interrump our connections and corespondence. They too have been deaf to the voice of Justice and of consanguinity. We must therefore acquiesce in the Necessary which Demands our separation and hold them as we hold the rest of mankind Enemies in war ; in peace Friends :

We therefore the Representatives of the United States of Amarica in General Congress assembled appealing to the Supreme Judge of the world for the Rectitude of our Intentions do in the name and by the authorety of the good people of these Coloneys Solomly publish and Declare That these united Coloneys are and of Right ought to be free and Inde-

pendant States that they are absolved from all allegiance to the British Crown and that all poletical Connexion between them and the State of great Brittain is and ought to totally dissolved and that as free and Independant States they have full power to levey war conclude peace contract alliances establish commerce and to do all other acts and things which Independant States may of Right do. And for the support of this Declaration with a firm Reliance on the protection of Divine providance we mutually pledge to each other our Lives our Fortunes and our Sacred Honor.

Signed by order and in behalf of the Congress

John Hancock President

Attest

Charles Thompson Secretary

In council July 17th 1776. Ordored that the Declaration of Independance be printed and a Copy sent to the ministers of each parish of every denomination within this State and that they severally be required to read the same to their respective Congregations as soon as divine service is ended in the afternoon on the first Lords Day after they shall have received it and after such publication thereof to deliver the said Declaration to the Clerks of their several Destricts who are hereby required to record the same in their Respective Town or Destrict Books there to remain as a perpetual memorial thereof

In the name and by order of the Council

R. Darby Jun. President

A true Copy attest

John Avery Dep: Sec'y

Salem massachusetts Bay printed by E. Russell by order of Authority

A true Copy of the original Declaration and order of Council

Attest

Edward Davis Town Clerk

December y^e 2nd 1777 the Widow mary Hibberd late wife of Samuel Hibberd of Dudley Deceased made application to the selectmen of Dudley for some Reliefe for her famaly being in a poor and Distressed circomstanc and the selectmen took what Little Estate the said Deceased Died Siezed of into their costaday and let her have the use of the housol stuff for the binefit of the famaly and the rest sold for their support the whole of the Estate being worth about 20£

Decem^r 13th 1779 the selectmen lent to the above said Widow Hibberd what there was left of the household stuff of the above estate ; During the pleasure of the Town



Worcester ss To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in said County Greeting In the Name of the government and people of the State of massachusetts Bay you or either of you are hereby Directed forthwith to warne all the male Inhabitants (Except Indians and Negroes) of our that are Twenty one years of age or upwards to meet at our meeting house in said Dudley on monday the 30th Day of September Iustant at one of the clock in the after noon then and there to act upon the following articals viz

first to choose a moderator for said meeting

2ndly to act upon the Resolve of the House of Representatives (of the 17th Instant) Reletive to a Constitution and forme of government for this State as the Town shall see fitt

3rdly to vote for a Regester of Deeds and a Treasurer for the County of Worcester aforesaid

and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon unto the selectmen at or before the said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this 27th Day of September anno Domini 1776

John Curtis }
Edward Davis } Selectmen
William Carter } of Dudley

Dudley September y^e 30th 1776 In obedience to this
 within warrant I have warned the Inhabitants of this Town
 by setting up this warrant at the sign poste in said Town
 David Keith Constable

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley
 Regularly assembled at our meeting house in said Town on
 Monday the 30th Day of September 1776

first Voted and chose Jedidiah marcy Esq^r moderator for
 s^d meeting

2ndly Voted to adjorn the second artical in the warrant to
 Tuesday the 8th Day of october next at four of the clock in the
 after noon to which time after acting on the third artical
 in the warrant this meeting was adjorned.

Agreable to adjornment met and first voted and chose m^r
 Joseph Upham moderator P: T for said meeting

2ndly the vote was asked whether the Town would consent
 to have this present Court come into a Constetution and forme
 of government for our State and it passed in the Negetive
 unanamusly

3rd Voted as reasons for not consenting as aforesaid that
 the town looked upon it that this State had not an equal
 Representation

Worcester ss To Either of the Constables of the Town
 of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting In the
 Name of the government and people of the Massachusetts
 Bay you are hereby Directed forthwith to warne or Notify
 the freeholder and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley
 quallified to vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting
 house in Dudley on monday the third Day of march next at
 Nine o clock in the forenoon then and there to act upon
 the following articals (viz)



first to chuse a moderator for said meeting
2ndly to chuse Town officers for the Insuing year as the Law Directs

3rdly to see if the Town will let their swine run at larg this year

4thly to grant money to Defray the charges of our highways and bridges this year and agree how the same shall be expended

5thly to chuse a Committee of Corespondance &c for y^e Insuing year

6thly to see what the Town will Do Reletive to the two Bridges over Quinabogg River

7thly for the Town to hear and act upon any petition or petitions that shall be laid before them as they see fitt

here of fail not and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings there on unto the selectmen at or before s^d Day
Dated at Dudley this seventeenth Day of February anno Domini 1777

John Curtis }
Joseph Vinton } Selectmen
Edward Davis } of Dudley

In obedience to this within written warrant I have warned the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley by setting up this warrant at the sign post in said Town

Dudley march y^e 3rd Day 1777

p^r me

David Keith Constable

At a meeting of the Inhabetants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting house in said Dudley on monday the third Day of march AD 1777

first voted Esq^r marcy moderator for said meeting

2ndly voted to have five selectmen this year

3rdly voted Esq^r marcy first selectman

4thly voted Edward Davis second selectman

5thly voted Joseph Healy third selectman

- 6^{thly} voted Lt David Keith fourth selectman
 7^{thly} voted Cap^t Healy fifth selectman
 8^{thly} voted Edward Davis Town Clerk
 9^{thly} voted Esq^r marcy Town Treasurer
 10^{thly} voted to have the assessors and selectmen chose
 separate
 11^{thly} voted to have three assessors this year
 12^{thly} voted Edward Davis first assessor
 13^{thly} voted Joseph Sabin Jr second assessor
 14^{thly} voted Lt Foster Jun^r third assessor
 15^{thly} voted Asa Curtis west end constable
 16^{thly} voted Cornet Jona^t Day east end constable
 17^{thly} voted John Edmunds & Jothan Taft wardians
 18^{thly} voted John Vinton & Ebenezer White Tything men
 19^{thly} voted Capt Curtis culler of shingles and clapboards
 20^{thly} voted Daniel Newell Lt Foster Jacob Chamberlain
 Jun^r Joseph marcy Andrew Brown John Haskell and Lemuel
 Corbin surveyors of highways
 21^{stly} voted the surveyors of highways be collectors of that
 Rate
 22^{ndly} voted Capt Carter sealer of weights and measurs
 23^{rdly} voted Asa Curtis sealor of Leather
 24^{thly} voted Jacob Chamberlain Jun^r & Daniel Shearman
 fence viewers
 25^{thly} voted to let our swine run at larg this year
 26^{thly} voted William Clark Reubin Chamberlain & David
 Wakefield Hog Rieves
 27^{thly} voted 80 pounds to Defray the charges of our high-
 ways and Bridges this year
 28^{thly} voted that the same shall be worked out at 2 / 6 per
 Day from the first of may to the first of october next
 29^{thly} voted Capt Curtis Jacob Warren Archabald Jewell
 Lt Foster Jun^r and Lemuel Corbin a Committee of Core-
 spondence &c
 30^{thly} voted to accept of a Road through Lt Putneys &
 Obadiah Sabins land to Charlton line if a be free of charge to
 the Town for the Land &c

31thly voted to make bothe Bridges over Quinabogg River
Cart Bridges

32ndly voted to grant Samuel Kidders and others petition to
have Innoculation for the small pox set up in our Town and to
be under the Directions and care of the selectmen

A highway laid out by the selectmen of Dudley January
y^e 27th 1777 begining by the Road near Ezekial Hoveys
house by land of Lt Eleazer Putneys then runing Norwesterly
on the west side of a wall and so strate to a brook then about
North on the west side of a wall and said Putneys mill-house
till it comes into his paster and then Norwesterly on the East-
erly side of the wall through said Putneys land to m^r Obadiah
Sabins land then westerly as the lain is now fensed (saveing
it going a cross the corner of sd Sabins orchard) till it comes
to his house then turning about Norwest till it comes to Charl-
ton line and then the Road is laid out by Charlton selectmen
westerly and it comes into Dudley a few Rods to Escape a
ledge of rock all said Road is on said Putneys & Sabins
land and two rods wide

this Road was brought before the Town in their anual
meeting in march 1777 and accepted

Jedidiah marcy	} Selectmen of Dudley
John Curtis	
Edward Davis	

Agreable to a late act of the General Court of the State of
the massachusetts Bay Intitled an act to prevent monopoly and
oppression we the Subscribers have affixed the prices to the
following articals which is to be their prise in Dudley in the
County of Worcester in s^d State (viz) farmers Labour in the
middle of the summer that is to say from the middle of June
to the middle of August at 3 / per Day and the other parts of

the summer season at 2 / 8 p^r Day and in April may September and October at 2 / 4 per Day and for the rest of the year 1 / 8 per Day

the prises of Entertainement for man and Beast (viz) for a meal of biled and Rosted victuals 1 / and a meal of Common pot-luk 9^d for a man and all other Eating to be in proportion to their quantaty & quallity agreeable to the usual customs to a mug of good phlip made with west india Rum 1 / and of New England rum 9^d and all other Liquors to be in proportion for good lodging 3^d per Night for one person for keeping a horse a Night or 24 hours on the best of English hay 1 / for keeping a pair of grone oxen Dito 1 / 4 and on hay of a meaner quality in proportion and all other keeping of all sorts to be in proportion

Blacksmiths work (viz) for shoeing of a horse all Round Stealed at heel and toe 5 / 6 and for plane shoing 4 / 3 and for plow irons of the largest Size 9^d per ^{lb} and those of the smallest size 11^d per ^{lb} and all other Blacksmiths work to be in proportion and all other Tradsmens work to be in proportion to farmers Labour saving the addition of their Extreordinary Cost for Stock and tools more than formerly

The farmers produce (viz) good marchantabe wheat 6 / 8 per bushil good marchantable Rie 4 / & good marchantable Indian Corn 3 / per bushil good peas 7 / & good white beans 6 / and good otes 1 / 8 and good potatoes 1 / per bushil in the fall of the year and 1 / 6 per bushel in the Spring of the year good clean flax sead 6 / 4 per bushil English hay of the Best quallity in the winter or Spring 2 / 4 per hundred and other hay in proportion to its quallity and same proportion in other parts of the year good well fated fresh pork 4^d pr ^{lb} and good clear salt pork 8 / 8 per ^{lb} the best of grass fead Beef 3^d per ^{lb} and that of a meaner quality in proportion the best of Newmilke chese 6^d per ^{lb} and that of meaner quallity in proportion good Butter 10^d per ^{lb} by the single ^{lb} and 9^d per ^{lb} by the firking good mutton or Lamb 3^d 1 / 2 & good veal 3^d per ^{lb} good tryed tallow 8^d per ^{lb} good sheeps wool 2 / per ^{lb} & good well Drest flax 1 / per ^{lb} good

yarn stockings 6 / pr pair good shoes for men 8 / per pair
 good shoes for women 6 / per pair and all other shoes to
 be in proportion to their size & quality tow cloth of the
 best sort yard wide 2 / 3 per y^d and all other tow cloth in
 proportion to its width and quality and the prices of homemade
 Linings to be in proportion according to their goodness good
 yard wide striped flanings 3 / 4 per yard and all other flanings
 to be in proportion to their width and quality Cotton and
 Lining Cloth of the Common sort 3 / 4 per yard and all other
 Cotton Cloths to be in proportion to their width and qual-
 ity good Deap Blew fulled & Dyed all wool Cloth 3 / 4 of
 a yard wide 12 / per yard and all other all wool Cloths to be
 in proportion to their width and quality Raw Hides 3^d
 per ^{lb} Raw Calfskins 6^d per ^{lb} Soleather 1 / 4 per ^{lb} and
 Curried Leather in proportion and all other articals not
 annumerated to be sold in proportion to these artical above
 annumerated according to the former Customs

Dudley march ye 6th 1777

John Curtis	}	Committee
Jacob Warren		
Archabald Jewell		
Timothy Foster J ^r		
Lemuel Corbin		

Jedidiah Marcy	}	Selectmen of Dudley
Edward Davis		
Joseph Healy		
David Keith		
Nathaniel Healy		

To the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of
 Dudley qualified to vote in Town affairs Gentlemen you
 are hereby Notified and warned to meet at our meeting house
 in said Dudley on Friday the 25th Day of April Instant at
 three O clock in the afternoon then and there to act upon
 the following articals (viz)

first to choose a moderator for said meeting

2ndly to see if the Town will grant money for to give to our soldiers a further Incouragement than what is provided if they will Enlist for us During the present war or for three years or so or act thereon as the Town sees fitt

3rdly to see if the Town will not as a Town Do all that they can to Carry that Law into Execution that was lately made by the General Court prevent monopoly and oppression and to act Reletive there to as they see fitt

4thly to hear and act upon any petition or petitions that shall be laid before them as the Town sees fitt

Dated at Dudley this twelveth Day of Aprel anno Domini 1777

Dudley April y^e 25th 1777 I have warn'd and Notified the within Named Inhabitants to meet at time and place within mentioned by setting up this warrant at the sign post in Dudley as usual

by order of the selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting House in Dudley on Friday the 25th Day of April anno Domini 1777

first voted major Larned moderator for said meeting

2ndly voted to give to each soldier that will enlist for us During the present war or for three years 20£ over and above the Bounty before provided

3rdly voted major Larned Esq^r marcy & Deacon Davis a Committee to Raise the money and to pay to each soldier that shall enlist as above said 20£ and the Town will grant assess and pay the sums the said Committee have paid out with Interest from the time they pay it till they are paid

4thly voted to do their Indeavour to carry the act of the General Court for to prevent monopoly and oppression in to Execution

Worcester ss to Either of the constables of the Town of
Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting In the Nam
of the government and people of the massachusetts Bay you
are Either of you are hereby Directed forthwith to warne all
the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley
qualified to vote for a Representative

To meet at our meeting house in said Dudley on Tuesday
the 20th day of this Instant May at 3 o Clock in the afternoon
then and there to act upon the following articals viz

first to Elect and Depute one or more persons to serve for
and Represent us at the Great & General Court to be held at
the State House in Boston on the last wednesday of may In-
stant and so during the session or sessions as shall be agreed
upon by said Court

2ndly to Chuse a moderator for the Remaining part of
said meeting

3rdly for the Town to Choose a Committee to provide
schooling the insuing year

4thly to see if the Town will Choose a Committee to build
the two Bridges over Quinabog River or act there on as they
see fitt

5thly to hear and act upon any petition or petitions that
shall be laid before the Town as they see fitt

hereof fail not and make due Return of this warrant with
your Doings there on unto the Selectmen at or before said
day Dated at Dudley aforesaid the 12th Day of may in the
year of our Lord 1777

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Dudley may y^e 20th 1777 In obedience to this warrant I
have warned the freeholders and other inhabitants of the Town
of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned by
setting up this warrant at the sign post in Dudley according
to the usual Costom of this Town

Asa Curtis Constable

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting house in Dudley on Tuesday the 20th Day of may anno Domini 1777

first voted major W^m Larned & Edward Davis Representatives

2^{ndly} voted major Larned moderator for the Remaining part of this meeting

3^{rdly} voted Joseph Sabin J^r John Warren Philip Newell Josiah Hovey Lemuel Corbin Ens Jackson & Thomas Cheney a School Committee to provide schooling in our Town the insuing year

4^{thly} voted m^r Joseph Vinton m^r Edward Inman & Cap^t m^orriis a Committee to build the two Bridges over Quinabogg River

Worcester ss To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting In the Name of the Government & people of the massachusetts Bay you are Required forthwith to warne the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualafyed to vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting house in said Dudley on Tuesday the 8th Day of July next at one oClock in the after noon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

first to Chuse a moderator for said meeting

2^{ndly} to act further Reletive to the monopoly act as the Town sees fitt by Choosing a Committee &c

3^{rdly} to grant School money for the present year

4^{thly} to give our Representatives further Instructions

5^{thly} to act Reletive to the tory act as the Town thinks best

6^{thly} to see if the Town will Reconsider there vote in march last for to build two Cart bridges over Quinabogg River or further to act thereon as the Town sees fitt

7^{thly} to hear and act upon any petition or petitions that shall be laid before the Town as they see fitt

hereof fail not and make Due Return of this warrant with

your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen on or before the
said Dated at Dudley aforesaid the twenty fourth Day of
June anno Domini 1777

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Worcester ss July y^e 8th 1777

In obedience to the within written warrant I have warned
the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley
to meet at time and place for the bisness within mentioned

Jonathan Day Constable

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley
Regularly assembled at our meeting house in said Town on
Tuesday the 8th Day of July 1777

first voted & Chose Jedidiah Marcy Esq^r moderator for
said meeting

2^{ndly} voted to pass by the 2nd artical in the warrant

3^{rdly} voted So.£ for to defray the charge of schooling this
year

4^{thly} voted Cap^t John Curtis m^r Jacob Warren Joseph
Sabin Jr John Haskel & Eleazer Jackson a Committee
to draw further Instructions for our Representatives

5^{thly} voted to pass by the 5th artical in the warrant

6^{thly} voted to pass by the 6th artical in the warrant

7^{thly} voted to have a Cow purchesed for mr Benj^a Davis
& famalys use

8^{thly} voted not to grant Josiah Browns petition for the
abatement of his minister Rate for the year 1776

9^{thly} voted and accepted the Committees Draft of Instruc-
tions to our Representatives

Worcester ss To Either of the Constables of the Town
of Dudley in said County Greeting you are hereby Di-

Dudley Town Records, 1777.

rected forthwith to warn or Notify the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley to meet at our meeting house in said Town on Fryday the 21st Day of this Instant Novem^r at ten of the clock in the fore noon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

first to Choose a moderator for s^d meeting

Secondly for the Town to Shew their opineon Reletive to the proceedings of the General Court in Loaning our states money and Do and act thereon as the Town thinks best

3rdly to see what measures the Town will come into to provide for the soldiers famalys agreeable to the order of the General Court

4thly to see if the Town will Recommend some person to the Honorable Council for them (if they see fitt) to appoint as a Justice of the peace in our Town

hereof fail not and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon at or before said Day

Dated at Dudly aforesaid the 12th Day of November anno Domini 1777

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

November 21th 1777 In obedience to this warrant I have posted the same at the sign post as usual

Asa Curtis Constable

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudly Regularly assembled at our meeting House in Dudley on Friday the 21st Day of November 1777

first voted and Chose Jedidiah marcy Esq^r moderator for said meeting

2ndly voted unanamusly that they was Dessatisfyed with the proceedings of the General Court in Loaning our states money

3rdly voted their Consent to have all the states money not

on Interest small change less than a Dollar Excepted to be Immediately called in by one Tax and burnt

4^{thly} voted to Chuse a Committee to provide for the soldiars famalys agreeable to the late acts of the general for that purpose

5^{thly} voted m^r Joseph Upham Ens Ebenezer Amidon & Jacob Chamberlain Jun^r a Committee to provid for said famalys

7^{thly} voted to recommend Jedidiah marcy Esq^r to the Honorable Council for them (if they see fitt) to appoint as a Justice of the peace in our Town

Worcester ss To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in said County In the Name of the government & people of the State of massachusetts Bay you are Required forthwith to warne & Notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley quallified to vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting house in said Dudley on monday the twenty sixth 26th Day of this Instant January at one of the clock in the after noon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

first to Choose a moderator for said meeting

2^{ndly} to see if the Town tax themselves for the whole of their proportion of this states money or any part of it agreeable to an act of General Court

3^{rdly} to here and act upon any petition or petitions that may be laid before them

hereof fail not as you will answer your defect at the perill of the Law and make due Return of this warrant with your doings thereon unto us the Subscribers given under our hands & seal at Dudley this twelfth Day of January 1778

Jedidiah marcy } Selectmen
David Keith } of
Nathaniel Healy } Dudley

Dudley January y^e 26th 1778

In obedience to this warrant I have posted the same at the time and place as usual

Asa Curtis Constable

Dudley Town Records, 1778.

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting house in said Town on monday the 26th Day of January 1778

first voted Esq^r marcy moderator for said meeting

2ndly voted to tax themselves 791-1-1-3 to be collected and put upon Loan for the benefēt of the Town agreeable to a late act of the General Court

3rdly voted to grant the petition of William Larned & others concerning Strips of land in our Town that there is no proper owners to it as we know of and to chose a Committee to Inquire into the same and make reporte to the Town

4thly voted Elisha Corbin Jacob Warren & Elijah gore s^d Committee

Worcester ss To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in the County aforesaid Greeting In the Name of the government & people of massachusetts Bay you are hereby Directed forthwith to Warne or Notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley to meet at our meeting house in said Dudley on monday the second Day of march next at nine o clock in the fore noon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

first to Choose a moderator for said meeting

2ndly to Choose Town officers & Committees for the insuing year as usual

3rdly to see if the Town will let there swine run at large this year

4thly to see if the Town will accept of the Road Laid out by the Selectmen for Ens Nathan Jeffords

5thly for the Town to act upon the Constitution if they see fitt or adjorne the meeting for that purpose

6thly to grant money for our highways and bridges and agree how the same shall be Expended

7thly to here the Reporte of the Committee Chosen y^e 26th

Day of January last concerning Strips of Land in this Town & act there on as the Town shall see fitt

8^{thly} for the Town to here and act upon any petition or petitions that shall be laid before them as they think best

here of fail not and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon at or before the said Day

Dated at Dudley afore said the 16th Day of February anno Domini 1778

Jedidiah marcy	}	Selectmen of Dudley
Edward Davis		
David Keith		
Nathaniel Healy		

Dudley march y^e 2nd 1778 In obedience to this warrant
I have posted the same at the time & place as usual

Asa Curtis Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting house in said Town on monday the 2nd Day of march anno Domini 1778

- first voted Jedidiah marcy Esq^r moderator for said meeting
- 2^{ndly} voted to have 5 Selectmen this year
- 3^{rdly} voted Jedidiah marcy Esq first Selectman
- 4^{thly} voted Edward Davis Second Selectman
- 5^{thly} voted Joseph Healy third Selectman
- 6^{thly} voted Lt David Keith fourth Selectman
- 7^{thly} voted Cap^t Nath^l Healy fifth Selectman
- 8^{thly} voted Edward Davis Town Clerk
- 9^{thly} voted Jedidiah marcy Town Treasurer
- 10^{thly} voted to have 3 Assessors this year
- 11^{thly} voted Edward Davis first Assessor
- 12^{thly} voted Joseph Sabin Jr Second Assessor
- 13^{thly} voted Lt Tim^o Foster Jr third Assessor
- 14^{thly} voted Jacob Chamberlain Jun^r west end Constable
- 15^{thly} voted Cap^t Benj^a morriss East end Constable
- 16^{thly} voted Joseph Sabin Jr & Lt mark Elwell wardians

- 17^{thly} voted Joseph Keith & Jeremiah Haskell Tything men
 18^{thly} voted Cap^t John Curtis Culler of Shingles & Clapboards
 19^{thly} voted to continue the same persons as Surveyors of highways and Collectors of the highway rates that was Chosen last year
 20^{thly} voted Cap^t W^m Carter Sealer of weights & measurs
 21^{stly} Voted Asa Curtis Sealer of Leather
 22^{ndly} Voted Ens Eleazer Jackson & Moses Jewell fence viewers
 23^{rdly} Voted to let our swine run at large this year
 24^{thly} Voted William Brown William Carter Jr & Jeremiah Haskel hog reives
 25^{thly} Voted Capt Curtis Jacob Warren Joseph Upham Lemuel Corbin and Tim^o Foster Jun^r Committeeof Correspondance &c
 26^{thly} Voted 50 pounds to Defray the Charges of our highways and bridges this year
 27^{thly} Voted that the same shall be worked out as the Selectmen shall order
 the aforesaid officers are sworn
 then Adjorned the (Remaining part of the) meeting to monday the 30th Day of this Instant march at one o Clock in the afternoon
 march y^o 30th 1778 mett agreeable to adjornment and first voted and Accepted of a Road laid out by the Selectmen for Ens Nathan Jeffords from his house to the Road leading from our meeting house to Robinsons mills
 2^{ndly} Voted to accept of the Committees Reporte Relitive to strips of Land &c
 3^{rdly} Voted that the said lands shall be taxed to the owners &c
 4^{thly} Voted not to grant m^r Jacob Chamberlains petition praying to have his poll Exempted from taxes
 5^{thly} voted to put over the artical upon y^e Constitution to may meeting
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A Road Laid out by the Selectmen for Ens Nathan Jeffords begining at his Dwelling house and from thence it runs East about 24 rods then Southerly about 30 rods on said Jeffords land to a Stake and Stones then East to a white oake tree marked by the road where is now trod then southerly a straight line to the Road that leads from our meeting House to Robinsons mills to a Stake and Stones two Rods East of Ens Eleazer Jacksons Norwest Corner Said Road is on the west side of said bounds and is to be one Rode & a half wide

Dudley February y^e 12th 1778

Jedidiah marcy }
Joseph Healy } Selectmen
Nathaniel Healy } of Dudley

Worcester ss To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in said County Greeting In the Name of the government & people of the Massachusetts Bay you are Either of you are Requested forthwith to warne or Notify all the Male Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley that are free and Twenty one years of age to meet at our meeting House in said Town on Thursday the 21st Instant may at one o Clock in y^e afternoon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

first to Elect & Depute a person or persons to Represent us at the General Court to be holden at the State House in Boston on wednesday the 27th Day of this Instant may and so from time to time During the Session or Sessions the insuing year

2ndly to Choose a Moderator for the Remaining part of said meeting

3rdly to grant money for Schooling & other Necessary Charges for the year Insuing

4thly to Choose a School Committee to provide Schooling y^e year Insuing

Dudley Town Records, 1778.

5^{thly} to act upon the Constitution or form of government
 6^{thly} for the Town to act upon any petition or petitions
 that shall be laid before them as they see fitt

Hereof fail not and make due Return of this warrant with
 your doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before the said
 day Dated at Dudley aforesaid the Seventh Day of may
 anno Domini 1778

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Dudley may y^e 21st 1778 In obedience to the within
 warrant I have Notified the Inhabitants of the Town of Dud-
 ley to meet at time and place within mentioned by setting up
 this warrant at the meeting house

Benjamin morriss Constable of Dudley

At a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley
 Regularly assembled at our Meeting House in Dudley on
 Thursday y^e 21st Day of may anno Domini 1778

first Voted Jedidiah Marcy Esq^r our Representative

2^{ndly} Voted Esq^r Marcy moderator for the remainder of
 said meeting

3^{rdly} Voted a 100£ for Schooling the year insuing

4^{thly} Voted 1010£ for other Necessary Charges of the
 Town (viz) for the Cost of hireing men in to the army and
 for cost of procuring Cloths for the Soldrey and Necessares
 for their families and for the common Town cost and Charges

5^{thly} Voted Lt Timothy Foster Senor Lt Jonah Wood
 Daniel Newell John Curtis Jun^r Benjamin Stone Jo-
 siah Conant & Cornet Day a School Committee to provide
 Schooling y^e current year

6^{thly} Voted unanimously against the Constitution there
 being 60 acted

October y^e 13th 1778 Elizabeth Jewell threw herselfe upon the Town for maintainance

November y^e 23rd 1778 Moses Jewell Engaged to pay all the Cost the Town had been at in the support of the said Elisabeth in her life time and for her funeral Charges and the Selectmen gave him orders to take her things that she left to Enable him to fullfil his Engagements

Worcester ss To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in said County Greeting In the Name of the government and people of the Massachusetts Bay in New England you or either of you are Required forthwith to warne or Notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley aforesaid quallified to vote in Town affairs to meet at our Meeting House in said Town on Monday the 23rd Day of this Instant November at one o Clock in y^e after noon then aud there to act upon the following articals (viz)

- 1st to Chuse a moderator for said meeting
- 2ndly to grant money to Defray the Necessary Charges in our Town the Currant year
- 3rdly for the Town to act Relitive to mr Gleasons wood as they see fitt
- 4thly to hear and act upon any petition or petitions that shall be laid before the Town as they see caus

here of fail not and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before the said Day Dated at Dudley Aforesaid the Ninth Day of November Anno Domini 1778

by order of the Selectmen



Edward Davis Town Clerk

Dudley November y^e 23 Day 1778

In obedience to this Warrant I have warned the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley to meet at the time and place within mentioned by Siting this warrant up at the usual place

by me Jacob Chamberlain Constable

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting House on monday the 23rd Day of November AD 1778

first Voted and Chose Jedidiah marcy Esq moderator for said meeting

2ndly Voted £200 for to Defray the Necessary Charges in our Town the currant year

3rdly Voted £60 for mr gleasons wood this year meaning 40 / per Cord

4thly Voted to abate m^r Nathaniel Jewells Rates in Asa Curtises List for the year 1777 for his own poll being 28 /

March y^e 1st 1779 mary Cortiss threw her selfe upon the Town of Dudley for maintainance

Worcester ss To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting In the Name of the government and people of the Massachusetts Bay in New England you or either of you are hereby Directed forthwith to Warne or Notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley quallified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our Meeting House in said Dudley on monday the first Day of march next at Nine o Clock in the fore noon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

first to Choose a moderator for said meeting

2ndly to Choose Town officers & Committees for the In-suing year as the Law Directs

3rdly to see if the Town will let their swine run at large this year

4thly to act Relative to the highways & granting money therefor as the Town sees fitt

5thly to act Relative to the Rev^d M^r Gleasons last years salary as the Town thinks best

6thly to see if the Town will set off mr Jacob Warren and others as a school ward by them selves and let them Draw their school money

7thly for the Town to act upon any petition or petition that shall be laid before them as they see fitt

hereof fail not and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings there on unto the Selectmen at or before the said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid the fifteenth Day of February Anno Domini 1779

Edward Davis }
Joseph Healy } Selectmen
Nathaniel Healy } of Dudley

Dudley march y^e 1st 1779 In obedience to this warrant I have put it up at the usual place of posting warrants
Benj^a Morriss Constable

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley assembled at our Meeting House in said Dudley on monday the first Day of march AD 1779

- first Voted Esq^r Marcy moderator for said meeting
- 2ndly Voted to have five Selectmen this year
- 3rdly Voted William Larned first Selectman
- 4thly Voted Edward Davis second Selectman
- 5thly Voted Joseph Healy third Selectman
- 6thly Voted Nathaniel Healy fourth Selectman
- 7thly Voted Jonathan Day fifth Selectman
- 8thly Voted Edward Davis Town Clerk
- 9thly Voted Jedidiah Marcy Esq^r Town Treasurer
- 10thly Voted to have three Assessors this year
- 11thly Voted Edward Davis first Assessor
- 12thly Voted Joseph Sabin J^r second Assessor
- 13thly Voted Timothy Foster J^r third Assessor
- 14thly Voted Obadiah Sabin west end Constable
- 15thly Voted Joseph Keith east end Constable
- 16thly Voted Jonah Wood & John Edmunds wardians

- 17^{thly} Voted Mark Elwell & Asa Curtis tything men
- 18^{thly} Voted Josiah Hovey Culler of Shingles and Clapboards
- 19^{thly} Voted Nathaniel Clark Joseph Upham J^r Nathan Jeffords John Curtis J^r John Bracket Thomas Cheney and John Vorce highway Surveyors
- 20^{thly} Voted William Carter Sealer of weights and measurs
- 21^{stly} Voted John Vorce Sealer of Leather
- 22^{ndly} Voted John Wakefield & Shadrach Smith fence viewers
- 23^{rdly} Voted to let our Swine run at large this year
- 24^{thly} Voted John White & Daniel Sabin hog Reives
- 25^{thly} Voted Jedidiah Marcy Esq Elijah gore Joseph Vinton Lemuel Corbin & John Curtis Jun^r Committee of Corespondance &c
- 26^{thly} Voted Daniel Newell Moses Jewell & Ebenezer Foster a Committee to provide for the Soldiars famalies
- 27^{thly} Voted two hundred pounds in adition to what was granted last year to Defray the Charges of our highways & Bridges this year
- 28^{thly} Voted that the same shall be worked out at 30 / p^r Day by the first of October next
- 29^{thly} Voted that the Surveyors of highways be Collectors of that Rate
- 30^{thly} Voted to put over the fifth artical to next may meeting
- 31^{stly} Voted not to grant a School ward to m^r Jacob Warren and others
- 32^{ndly} on the petition of Josiah Harris Esq and Shadrach Smith praying that they and others might be Excused from ministearil Taxes Voted that if any person or persons shall make it appear to this Town by a publick Sollom Declarition at any legal Town meeting that it is contrary to their opinion and against the Dictates of their Conscience to pay taxes towards the maintanance of the standing order or Congregational Ministers or for building or Repairing meeting Houses or settlements for such ministers they shall be Excused from such

taxes for the future unless they or any of em should alter their opinion and consent to be taxed as aforesaid

33rdly Voted not to abate Esq Harress minister Rates for the time past

34^{thly} Voted not to abate Shadrach Smiths minister Rates for the time past

35^{thly} Voted to abate Esq John Fenner last year minister Rates

36^{thly} Voted not to abate m^r Daniel Dodges poll from taxes
The above Said officers Sworn

Worcester ss To either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in said County Greeting



In the Name of the government and people of the Massachusetts you or Either of you are hereby Directed forthwith to warn the freeholders and other Inhabitants of said Town quallified to Vote for a Represen to meet at our meeting house in said Town on Thursday the 20th Day of may Instant at one o Clock in the after noon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

first to Elect and Depute a person or persons to Represent us at the Great and General Court the year Insuing agreeable to the process to us Directed there for

2^{ndly} to Choose a moderator for the remainder of S^d meeting

3^{rdly} to act Relative to a New Constitution & form of government as the Town Sees fitt

4^{thly} to grant money for Necessary Chargs or agree how to furnish the Town therewith as the Town thinks best

hereof fail not and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before the said 20th Day of this Instant may Dated at Dudley aforesaid this 5th Day of may Anno Domini 1779

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Worcester ss , Dudley may 20th 1779 In obedience to

Dudley Town Records, 1779.

this warrant I have warned the Inhabitants to meet at time and place within mentioned by seting this warrant up at the usual place in Dudley

Joseph Keith Constable

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting house in said Town on Thursday the 20th Day of may Anno Domini 1779

first Voted and Chose Edward Davis Representative

2ndly Voted major Larned moderator for the Remainder of s^d meeting

3rdly Voted to have a New Constitution 76 being present & vc'ing

4thly Voted Not to Impower our Representative to Vote for the Calling a State convention for y^e forming s^d Constitution

5thly Voted for to have the money (that was granted and assessed for to pay the money hired last may for to pay the solders with) takien and used for other Necessary Charges in the Town

Worcester ss . To either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in the said County of Worcester Greeting

In the Name of the government and people of Massachusetts Bay you or Either of you are hereby Directed forthwith to warn or Notify all the Freemen Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley who is twenty one years of age to meet at our meeting house in said Town on Tuesday the 17th Day of August Instant at one o Clock in the after noon then and there to act upon the following articals viz

first to Chuse a moderator for said meeting

2ndly to Elect one or more persons to Represent us in a State Convention to meet at Cambridge on the first Day of

September next for the sole purpose of framing a New Constitution; and to give them proper Instructions &c

3rdly to act upon the Doings of the Convention of Committees that met at Concord the 14th Day of July last as the Town Sees fitt

4thly to grant money for the hire of soldiars & other Necessary Charges

5thly to grant money for Schooling the Currant year

6thly to Chuse a School Committee to provide schooling this year

7thly for the Town to Chuse a Committee or Committees to ajust the procedings of the Town & militia officers since the war or act thereon as they think best

hereof fail not and make Due Return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this third Day of August Anno Domini 1779

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

In obedience to the within warrant I have warned all the freeman Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley by setting this warrant up at the time and place as is usual

Dudley August y^e 17th 1779

p^r Joseph Keith Constable

At a meeting of the freemen Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting House in said Town on Tuesday y^e 17th Day of August AD 1779

first Voted William Larned Esq moderator for said meeting

2ndly Voted m^r Joseph Upham a Deligate to Represent us at the Convention to meet at Cambridge on the first Day of September next for the sole purpose of framing a new Constitution

3rdly Voted Jacob Warren Joseph Vinton Joseph Sabin Jr Elisha Corbin & Cornet Day a Committee to Draw

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Instructions for our Deligate and Reporte to the Town said Draft for them to act thereon

then the meeting was adjourned to Tuesday the 24th Day of August Instant at one o Clock in the afternoon persisely met according to adjournment &

first Voted to accept of the Draft of Instructions as a mended

2ndly Voted m^r Jacob Warren our Deligate to Represent us at the Convention to be held at Concord on the first Wednesday of October next to Regulate prices of articals &c

3rdly Voted £3060 to pay the hire of our 6 Continantal Soldars that marched last July

4thly Voted that any person or persons may pay their part and proportion of said sum either in money or in Rie at £5 2^s per bushel which they Choose

5thly Voted £1000 for schooling the Current year

6thly Voted Jacob Chamberlain Jr major Healy Lt Jonah Wood Cap^t Morriss Mark Dodge Cornet Day & m^r Joseph Vinton a School Committee for the Current year

7thly Voted to have a Committee Chosen to Call upon the militia officers to shew how all the fines they have Collected from the people of our Town sence the war has been appropriated and to make Report to the Town

8thly Voted Esq^r Marcy m^r Joseph Vinton m^r Daniel Newell m^r Joseph Upham & Edward Davis s^d Committee



Worcester ss To either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting In the name of the government and people of the massachusetts Bay in New England you or Either of you are hereby Directed forthwith to warne or Notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Quallified to vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting House in said Town on monday the 18th Day of this Instant October at two o Clock in the afternoon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

first to Chuse a moderator for said meeting
2ndly to grant money to Defray the Necessary Charges in
the Town the Currant year

3rdly for the Town to hear and act upon any petition or
petitions that shall be laid before them as they see fit

hereof fail not and make Due Return of this warrant with
your Doings there on unto the Selectmen at or before said
Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this 4th Day of october
anno Domini 1779

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

In obedience to the within warrant I have warn^d the free-
holders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Quallified
to vote in Town affairs to meet at time and place within
mentioned by sitting this warrant up at the time and place as
is usual

Dudley October 18th 1779

p^r me Jos Keith Constable

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley
Regularly assembled at our meeting House on monday the
18th Day of October Anno Domini 1779

first Voted & Chose major W^m Larned moderator for said
meeting and then adjourned to Thursday next at two
o Clock in the after noon

met according to adjournment and


Voted £700 to Defray the Necessary Charges in our Town
the Currant year

June 26th 1779 the Town being together at a training to
procure 6 men for nine months to reinforce the continental
army the people being a minde said men should be hired by a
tax the Selectmen Notified the people to repaire into the

meeting house to act thereon & upon their being assembled they

Voted that William Larned Joseph Vinton Edward Davis & Nathaniel Healy with the militia officers should be a committee to hire said six men upon the best terms they could

Worcester ss

 To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting In the Name of the government and people of the massachusetts Bay you or Either of you are hereby Directed to warne or Notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of said Dudley Qualified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting House in said Town on monday the thirteenth Day of December next at one o Clock in the afternoon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

first to Chuse a moderator for said meeting

2ndly for the Town to act Relative to m^r gleasons salary and wood as they think best and to grant money for the same if they see fitt or act otherwise as the Town shall agree

3rdly for the Town to grant money for other Necessary Charges if they see fitt

4thly for the Town to act Relative to the Continental Soldiars hire or the Rie tax as they shall agree

5thly to hear and act upon any petition or petitions that shall be laid before the Town as they see fitt

Hereof fail not and make Due Return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before said Day

Dated at Dudley aforesaid the twenty third Day of November Anno Domini 1779

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

In obedience to the within warrant I have warned the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet at time and place within

mentioned by setting this warrant up at the time and place as is usual

p^r me Joseph Keith Constable
Dudley December ye 13th 1779

At a Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting House in Dudley on monday the 13th Day of December 1779

first Voted major Larned moderator for said meeting

2ndly Voted £800 for m^r gleasons salary this year & m^r gleason accepted of it in full for this year & agreed to risk the fall of money

3rdly Voted £160 for m^r gleasons wood this year and mr gleason agreed to take his salary the old way in any of the Necessaries of life if any persons pleased to pay it so and his wood as usual

4thly Voted £400 for other Necessary Charges the Currant year

5thly Voted to put the fourth artical over to march meating

Worcester SS

To Either of y^e Constables of the Town of Dudley in Said County greeting In the Name of the government and people of the massachusetts Bay in New England you or Either of you are hereby Directed forthwith to warn or Notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting House in Said Town on monday the Sixth Day of march next at Nine a clock in the fore noon then and their to act upon following articals (viz)

first to Chuse a moderator for Said meeting

2ly to Chuse Town officers & Commities for the Insueing year as usual



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3ly to See if the Town will let their Swine run at large this year

4ly to act Relitive to our highways & bridges as the Town See fitt and To grant money & Choose Committees if NEEDED

5ly to act upon the artical Relative to hire of our nine months men or the Rie Rate so called that was put over to this meeting from December 13th 1779 meeting as the Town thinks best

6ly to hear and act upon any petition or petitions that Shall be laid before the Town as they See fitt

hereof fail not and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before Said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this Nineteenth Day of February Anno Dominie 1780

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

In obedience to the Within Warrant I have Warned the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Qualified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at the time and place within mentioned by Setting this Warrant up at the time and place as is usual

Test

Joseph Keith Constable

Dudley march the 6th 1780

At a Leagal meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting House in Dudley on monday the 6th Day of march 1780

first Voted Jedidiah Marcy moderator for Said meting

2ndly Voted to have 5 Selectmen this year

3rdly Voted Jedidiah Marcy first Selectman

4thly Voted m^r Joseph Vinton Second Selectman

5thly Voted Capt Morriss third Selectman

6thly Voted Cornet Day fourth Selectman

7thly Voted Liut Willard fifth Selectmen

- 8thly Voted Jedidiah Marcy Town Clerk
9thly Voted Jedidiah Marcy Town Treasurer
10thly Voted to have three assessors the Curant year
11thly Voted John Warren first assessor
12thly Voted Ebenezer Foster Second assessor
13thly Voted John Curtis Jun third assessor
14thly Voted Ralph Vinton west end Constable he paid
his fine
15thly Voted Jedidiah Corbin East End Constable
16thly Voted Jonathan Conant & Liut Joseph Keith wardians
17thly Voted L^t Jonah Wood & Isaac Lee Tything men
18thly Voted Josiah Hovey Culler of Shingles & Clabboards
19thly Voted to Continue the last years Survairs of highways
for the present year
20thly Voted Cap^t Carter Seolor of weights and measures
21stly Voted John Vorce Seolor of Leather
22ndly Voted Benjn Kidder Jr & John Edmunds fence
viewers
23rdly Voted to let our Swine run at large this year
24thly Voted James Brown Eleazer may & Theoder
marcy rieves
25thly Voted to adjourn the remainder of this meeting to
thirsday next at one of the Clock in the after noon persisely
met agreeable to adjornment &
first Voted major Larned Decon Davis major Healey
Cap^t Eady & Liut Jonah Wood Committee of Corespond-
ance &c
2thly Voted Daniel Newell Moses Jewell & Joseph Allen
a Committee to provide for the Soldiers families
3thly Voted £1250 pounds in adition to what was granted
the two last years to Defray the Charge of our higways &
bridges the present year
4thly Voted that the Same Shall be worked out at 60 / pr
Day from may to october
5thly Voted to Build the Brige over the River by m^r Innans
a good Cart Brige

6^{thly} Voted m^r Thomas Cotton Capt John Eady & Nathan Inman a Commettee to build Said Brige

7^{thly} Voted to pass over the 5 artical

8^{thly} Voted not to grant the widow Cheany petition Concering her Negro being taxed

9^{thly} Voted Nathan Inman west end Constable he paid his fine

10^{thly} Voted to abate Lemuel Underwood poll in Jonathān Conants taxes assessed october & January last

11^{thly} Voted £41-16 / to mr Jacob Warren for going to Concord*

12^{thly} adjorn this meeting without Day

Notified and meet agreable to the adjornment on monday the 27th Day at two of the clock in the after noon &

first Voted m^r John Haskel west eand Constable

2^{ndly} adjorn this meeting without Day

Notified and meet agreable to adjornment on monday the 3th Day of april at two of the clock in the after noon &

first Voted to Excuse m^r John Haskal from Serving Constable for the Excuse he made

2^{thly} Voted to Refund back Siah Vintons fine he paid for his being Chosen Constable on Condition that John Vinton hiring a man to Serve for them

3^{thly} Voted John Vinton west eand Constable

4^{thly} Voted to Except John Edmunds to Serve Constable in his Room

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Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in Said County greeting

In the Name of the government and people of the Massachusetts Bay in New england you or Either of you are hereby Directed forth with to Warn or Notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Quallified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting House in Said Town on Thursday the eighteenth Day of may Curant at three of the



in the after noon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

firstly To Chuse a moderator for Said meeting

2ndly To act Relative to the Constitution or form of government

3rdly To hear and act upon any petition or petitions that Shall be laid before the Town as they See fitt

here of fail not and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before Said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this twelvth Day of May A. D. 1780

Jedidiah Marcy }
Benjⁿ Morriss } Selectmen
Jonathan Willard } of Dudley

Worcester SS may 18th 1780

In obedience to the within Warrant I have warned and Notified the Inhabitants within mentioned to meet at time and place within written by Setting up this warrant as usual at the meeting House

John Edmunds Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting house on Thursday the eighteenth Day of may anno Domini 1780

first Voted Decon Davis moderator for Said meeting

2^dly Voted to Choose a Commeety to make Some a mendments in the Constitution

3ly Voted to Chuse Seven for a Commetee

4ly Voted Decon Davis major Larned m^r Elisha Corbin m^r Warren Esq^r Vennor Capt Corbin mr gore for a Commete

5ly this meeting is adjourn'd to may y^e 29 Day at ten of the Clock in the fore noon

met agreeable to adjornment

first Voted that the following amedments be made (viz) on the third artical of the Bills of Rights that the word not other wise be added after the decleration Relative to attendance on the Teachers of piety and Religion and morality

2^{dly} Voted 48 for the amendment and Sixteen against it

3^{dly} Voted that all male persons that are twenty one years of age and upwards that have paid taxes and are Inhabitants in any Town have a right to vote for a governor Senet and Representitives 52 voted for it

4^{dly} Voted to corum of the House of Representitives be 100 42 voted for it

5ly Voted that the word Protestant Shall be added where it Saith the governor Declare Himself to be of the Christian Religion before the word Religion 52 voted for it

6ly Voted to have the general Court by Joint Ballot to Chuse A governor out of the two that hath the most votes from the People provided no one hath A Majority of Votes from the People 42 voted for it

7ly Voted that the Representatives of each County Shall Nominate the Justices of the Peace for their County and their Nominations to be made yearly and the governor Shall Commission Them accordingly 42 voted for it

Sly Voted that the Revition of the Constitution be made Certain and that it be in the year of our lord 1790 42 voted for it

9ly Voted that our deligates be impowered to Set the time when Said Constitution Shall take Place without haveing it Sent out to the people again Provided it be agreable to two thirds of the People or Can be made agreeable to the minds of two thirds of the People 42 Voted

10ly Voted to Except of the Constitution with the amendments 39 men present

Worcester SS To either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in Said County greeting

In the Name of the government and people of the Massachusetts Bay you or either of you are hereby Directed forthwith to warn the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Said Town qualified to vote for a Representative to meet at our meeting House in Said Town on monday the 29th Day of May Instant at one of a Clock in the after noon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

1stly To elect and Depute a person or persons to Represent us at the great and general Court to be holden at the State House in Boston on wednesday the 31th Day of this Instant may and So from time to time Dureing their Session or Sessions the Insueing year

2^{ly} to Chuse a moderator for the Remainder of Said meeting

3^{ly} to grant money for Schooling & other Necessary Charges for the year Insueing

4^{ly} to Chuse a School Commeetie to provide Schooling the year Insueing

5^{ly} to See if the Town will Build a Bridge over the River by mr Joseph Vintons and Chuse a Commitee if needed

6^{ly} to act upon the artical Relative to the hire of nine month men or Rie Rate So caled by granting more money or other wise act as the Town thinks best

7^{ly} to hear and act upon any petetion or petetions that Shall be laid before the Town as they See fitt

here of fail not and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before Said Day Dated at Dudley afore Said this Sixteenth Day of may Anno Domini 1780

Jedidiah Marcy	}	Select men of Dudley
Joseph Vinton		
Benj ⁿ Morriss		
Jona ⁿ Day		

In obedience to the within written I have warned the freeholders and other inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Qualified to Vote for a Representative to meet at time and place Within

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mentioned By Seting this warrant up at the time and Place
as usual

pr me

Jedidiah Corbin Constable

Dudley may the 29th 1780

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley
Regularly assembled at our meeting House on monday the
29th Day of may In^t Anno Domini 1780

1stly Voted and chose Decon Davis Representative

2^dly Voted Decon Davis moderator for the Remainder of
Said meeting

3^dly Voted Rais no money for Schooling and other Nessary
charges

4^dly Voted to Direct the Commettee that way Chosen to
hire our nine month men last July to procure and pay Said
Soldiers in any Speshe that they will accept and to Call upon
the people to firlness them with Said Speshe and Said Com-
mettee is impowered to give a Discharge to all Such as Shall
pay there taxes in Ry or any other Spheche aqivilint

5^dly Voted to Chuse a Commettee to veiu where to build a
brig over y^e River by m^r Vintons

6^dly Voted to Chuse three men for a Commettee

7^dly Voted Capt Morriss majer Larned and Thomas
Cheyne a Commettee

June the 14th 1780 the Inhabitants of the Town of Dud-
ley being called to gether to raise 14 men to reenforce the
Continantal army and being Called upon by the Selectmen to
Shew their minde whether Said men Should be Drafted by
the militia officers they unanamosly voted not to have them
Drafted

2^{dly} and then Voted to have them hired at the Cost of the Town

3^{dly} Voted m^r Elisha Corbin Cornet Day maj^r Healey & m^r Daniel Newell with the militia officers a Commetee to hire Said men upon the best termes

Worcester SS To either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in Said County greeting

In the Name of the government and people of the Massachusetts Bay you or either of you are Directed forth with to warn or Notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Quallified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting House in Said Town on monday the fourth Day of September next at one of the clock in the after noon for the purpos of Electing a governor, Leiut governor and persons for Counsellers and Senators agreeable to the New Constitution or frame of government

here of fail not and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Select men at or before Said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this twenty third Day of august Anno Domini 1780

by order of the Selectmen

Jedidiah Marcy Town Clerk

Dudley September the 4th 1780

In obedience to this warrant I have warned the Inhabitants and freeholders of the Town of Dudley for to attend at time and place by Setting up this warrant at the meeting House

John Edmunds Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting House on monday the forth Day of September Anno Domini 1780

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first Voted for the Honable John Hancock Esq for a governor	47 votes
Voted for James Bowdoin Esq for a Leut governor	36 votes
Voted for Decon William Page for a Senator	19 votes
Voted for Edward Davis Esqr for a Senator	17 votes
Voted for Levi Linckcoln Esqr for a Senator	17 votes
Voted for Izrael Nickals Esqr for a Senator	16 votes
Voted for m ^r Caleb Curtis for a Senator	11 votes
Voted for Seth Read Esqr for a Senator	8 votes
Voted for major Seth Washburn for a Senator	3 votes
Voted for mr Caleb Ammidon for a Senator	3 votes
Voted for Colo Timothy Newell for a Senator	2 votes
Voted for Ebenezer Crafts Esqr for a Senator	2 votes

Dudley June the 30th 1780 the Town of Dudley being assembled to gether to raise 20 men to Reinforce tha Continent-
al army agreeable to two Resolves of the general Court one
of the 22th and the other of the 23th Days of this Instant June
and the Inhabitants being Notified by the Selectmen of Said
Town to attend as a Town and

first Voted to have Said men hired by the Town
2ndly Voted Edward Davis William Larned & Thomas
Cotton a Commettee to assist the melitia officers in hiring
Said 20 men

Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town
of Dudley in Said County greeting In the Name of the
goverment and People of the Massachusetts Bay you or either
of you are Required forthwith to warn or Notify the free-
holders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley that are
Qualified to vote for a Representative agreeable to the new Con-
stitution or frame of goverment to meet at our meeting House
in Said Town on monday the Sixteenth Day of this Instant



october at one of the Clock in the after noon then and their to act upon the following articals (viz)

first To Elect and Depute a person or persons to Represent us at the great and general Court agreeable to the new Constitution or frame of government

2ndly To Chuse a moderator for the Remainder of Said meeting

3rdly To grant money for Schooling and other Necessary Charges for this year

4thly To See if the Town will order the Rie Rate So Called to be assessed in Rie or act thereon as the Town Shall See fitt

5ly To act upon a Resolve of the general Court past the 25th of September 1780 To purchase our Coto of beafe or grant money for the Same or act on it as the Town thinks best

6ndly To hear and act upon any petition or petitions that Shall be laid before the Town as they See fitt

hereof fail not and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before Said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this Second Day of october Anno Domini 1780

by order of the Selectmen

Jedidiah Marcy Town Clerk

october the 16th 1780 In obedience to the within written warrant I have warned and Notified the Inhabitants and freeholders of the Town of Dudley to attend att time and place accordingley by my Setting this warrant up at the meeting House

John Edmunds Constable of Dudley

at a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting House on monday the Sixteenth Day of october Anno Domini 1780

first Voted Decon Davis our Representative

2ly Voted Decon Davis moderator for the Remainder of Said meeting

3ly Voted £80 new money To pay the Charge of Schooling this year

4ndly Voted 60 new money for the Nessary Charges the currant year

5ndly Voted to pay the Rie Rate in Rie and them that paid the money to have the money Returnd and made good

6ly Voted m^r Upham Daniel Newell and Nathanael Clark a Commetee to purchase our Coto of beafe

7ly Voted they Shall have Interest for the money from the time they purchase y^e Cattle

8ly Voted by way of petetion a School Commetee major Healy Asa Curtis Elisha Sabin Capt Morriss Joseph Upham Jur Josiah Hovey John Bracket

9ly Voted £12 New money for m^r Joseph Upham going and Seting in the Convention



Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in Said County greeting In the Name of the government and People of the massachusetts Bay you or Either of you are Required forth with to warn or Notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley that are quallified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting House in Said Town on monday the thirteenth Day of November next at one of the clock in the after noon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

first To Chuse a moderator for Said meeting

2ly To act upon a Resolve of the general Court past the 25th of September Last to purchase our Coto of beafe and grant money for the Same or act there on as the Town thinks best

3ly To hear and act upon any petetion or petetions that Shall be Laid before the Town as they See fitt

here of fail not and make Due Return of this warrant with

your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before Said Day Dated at Dudley afore Said this thirteenth Day of october Anno Domini 1780

by order of the Selectmen

Jedidiah Marey Town Clerk

Worcester SS November the 12th 1780 In obedience to the within written warrant I have warned and Notified the Inhabitants and freeholders of the Town of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned by Setting up this warrant at the meeting House in Dudley accordingley

by me John Edwards Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting House in Said Dudley on monday the thirteenth Day of November AD 1780

first Voted maj^r Healey moderator for Said meeting

2ly Voted to Raise £7000 to purchase our Coto of beafe

3ly Voted to Endemnify the Constables if they find the money to pay for the beafe from any Cost of the executions till they can Collect the money of the people again in a Reasonable time

4ly Voted Deacon Davis for to carrey the money to the Commetee at Springfield

Worcester SS to either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in Said County Greeting

In the Name of the Common welth of the massachusetts Bay you or either of you are Required forthwith to warn or Notify the free holders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley that are qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting House in Said Town on Tuesday the Second

Day of January next at ten of the Clock in the four noon then and Their to act upon the following articals (viz)

- 1stly To Chuse a moderator for Said meeting
- 2^{ly} To grant money to hire our Coto of the Continantal men for three years or Dureing the war agreeable to a Resolve of the general Court or act thereon as the Town thinks best
- 3^{ly} To grant money to pay our Six month men and three month men that was hireed last Summer or act thereon as the Town thinks best
- 4^{ly} to grant money to purchase our Coto of beafé agreeable to a Resolve of the general Court in their Last Sessions or act thereon as y^e Town thinks proper
- 5^{ly} To hear and act upon any petition or petetions that Shall be laid before the Town as they See fitt

hereof fail not and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings there on unto the Select men at or before Said Day Dated at Dudley afore Said this eighteenth Day of December A D 1780

by order of the Select men

Jedidiah Marcy Town Clerk

Worcester SS Dudley January the 2th 1781

In obedience to the within written warrant I have warned and Notified the within mentioned Inhabitants to meet at time and place within perfixt by Seting up this warrant at the meeting house as usual

Pr Jedidiah Corbin Constable of Dudley

at a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting House in Said Dudley on Tuesday the 2th Day of January AD 1781

1stly Voted and Chose Decon Davis moderator for Said meeting

2^{ly} Voted to Choose a Commetee to agree with our Soldiers we hire Last Summer

3ly Voted major Healey Daniel Newell Simeon Wood
Capt Cotbin Comit Day a Commete

This meeting is adjorn to two of the clock in the after
noon then meet agreable to adjornment

first Voted not to Clase the People

2ly Voted not to Clase into twelve parts

3ly Voted to Chuse a Commete of twelve men to agree on
what Teirms they could hire the three years men for

4ly Voted m^r Upham John Curtis Jur Leut Newell
Jacob Chamberlain m^r Simeon wood Capt Eady encine
Silas Robinson Leut Hill Samuel may Ju^r asa Robinson
Nathaniel Clark Benjⁿ Edmunds to hire our three years men

5ly Voted that any three of y^e Commetee is impowered to
give Security for y^e Town

6ly Voted to except of the Comecte Report how to pay
our Six month and three month men

7ly Voted £1412 New money to pay the Soldiers the
Town hired Last Summer

8ly Voted to Chuse a Commete to Se about our Coto of
beafe Major Healy Nathanael Clark and Comit Day

This meeting is adjornd to Thursday the eleventh Day of
January instant at one of the clock in the after noon precisely

Then meet agreable to adjornment January the 11th 1781

first Voted mr Joseph Upham moderator p.T.

2ly Voted to Chuse two more to ad to the Commete to
hire our three years men in Lue of two that woud not Serve

3ly Voted mr John Haskel Elisha Sabin to ad to the
Commete

This meeting is adjorned to y^e eighteenth Day of this instant
January at one of the Clock in the after noon

Then meet a greaable to adjornment January the 18th 1781

first Voted to give the three years men one hundred Pounds
in Silver money each

this meeting is adjond to monday the twenty Secon Day of
this instant January at one of the Clock in the after noon

Then meet a greable to to adjornment the 22th Day of January 1781

1^{ly} Voted not to except of the Report of the Commeete to hire the men

2^{ly} Voted to pay our men £33-6-8 to be paid yearly if they enter the year they be intitled to their pay that year and if they Serve three years they are intitled to the whole Sum and if not paid yearly they are to have interest yearly

3^{ly} Voted £225 new money to purchase part of our Coto of beafe

4^{ly} Voted the Commeete to give notes on Interest for the beafe till the money is Collectted and To allow the Same to y^e Commeetee

this meeting is adjorn to Thursday the first Day of February next at one of the Clock in the after noon February the 1th Day 1781 then mett agreeable to adjornment

1st Voted to Reconsider the vote that was past the last meeting not to except of the Comæetes Report to hire the men

2^{ly} Voted to except of the Commeetes Report to hire the men

3^{ly} Voted £225 new money to Purchas the Remainder part of our Coto of beafe

An Agreement Made this 18th Day of January 1781 Between us the Commette Chosen by the Town for the purpos of hiring the Soldiers for three years and the Soldiers that appear to go upon the Consideration (*viz*)

They agree to in list for three years upon their having one Hundred pounds for the term above mentioned and to have one third of the money Paid down or upon interest as parties may agree and the other third upon interest at the eand of two years if not paid and the last third at the end of three years if not paid upon interest till paid

N:B. the above Said Sums is to be paid in hard money

- John Curtis Jr
- Jacob Chamberlain
- Samuel may
- Simeon Wood
- James Hill
- Benjn Edmunds
- Asa Robinson

Worcester ss To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in said County Greeting



In the Name of the Common Wealth of Massachusetts you or either of you are hereby Directed forthwith to warn or Notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley, qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting house in said Town on monday the 5th Day of march next at 9 o clock in the fore noon then and there to act upon the following articals viz

- 1stly to Choose a moderator for said meeting
- 2ndly to Chuse Town officers for the year Insuing as y^e Law Directs
- 3rdly to See if the Town will let their swine run at large this year
- 4thly to act Relative to our highways & bridges as the Town sees fitt & to grant money & Chuse Committee if needed
- 5thly to see if the Town will Dispose of the hind seates in our meeting house to make pews on and the pews not to be on the same footing that the other pews are on; or act there on as the Town thinks best
- 6thly to hear & act upon any petition or petitions that shall be laid before the Town as they see fit

hereof fail not & make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before the said Day Dated at Dudley afore said this 19th Day of Feb^{ry} Anno Domini 1781

Dudley Town Records, 1781.

by order of the Selectmen

Jedidiah Marcy Town Clerk

Worcester ss March the 5th 1781 By virtue of this
warrant I have warned & Notified the freeholders & other
Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley to meet at time & place
by Setting up this warrant at the meeting house

p^r
John Edmunds Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley
Regularly assembled at our meeting house on monday the 5th
Day of march 1781

- first Voted & Chose Edward Davis moderator for s^d meeting
- 2ndly Voted to have 5 Selectmen this year
- 3rdly Voted Esq^r Marcy first Select man
- 4thly Voted Edward Davis Second Select man
- 5thly Voted Major Larned third Select man
- 6thly Voted Capt Morriss fourth Select man
- 7thly Voted Major Healy fifth Select man
- 8thly Voted Edward Davis Town Clerk
- 9thly Voted John Curtis Jun^r Town Treasurer
- 10thly Voted to have 5 Assessors the Currant year
- 11thly Voted Edward Davis first Assessor
- 12thly Voted Joseph Sabin Second Assessor
- 13thly Voted Timo: Foster Jr third Assessor
- 14thly Voted Jacob Chamberlain fourth Assessor
- 15thly Voted Joseph Keith fifth Assessor
- 16thly Voted m^r Jacob Warren west end Constable
- 17thly Voted Asa Robinson East End Constable

then the meeting was adjourned to monday the 12th day of
said march at one o Clock after noon: met according to ad-
journment &

- first Voted Capt. Corbin & Capt. Healy wadians
- 2ndly Voted mark Dodge & Isaac Lee Tything men
- 3rdly Voted Capt Curtis Culler of Shingles & Clapboards

4thly Voted Cornet Day Capt Carter Daniel Newell
Simeon Wood & Ens Amidon Committee of Correspondence &c

5thly Voted Capt Healy Simeon Wood Eben^r White
Benjamin Kidder Jr John Gore Lt Putney & Benj^a Stone
surveyors of highways & Collectors of the highway Rates

6thly Voted John Curtis Jun^r Collector of the minister
Rates

7thly Voted major Healy sealer of weights & measurs

8thly Voted John Vorce sealer of Leather

9thly Voted Joseph Allen & Asa Curtis fence viewers

10thly Voted to have our swine run at large this year

11thly Voted William Foster John Healy Elkanah Cor-
bin and John Heath hog rieves

12thly Voted 50£ in silver or other money equivilant to
Defray the charge of our highways & bridges the present year

13thly Voted that the same be worked at 2 / 6 per Day &
to be worked out before the first of october next

14thly Voted that the five hind seats in our body seats in
the meeting house of each side of the broad alley be cut up for
to build 8 pews upon the ground

15thly Voted to dispose of said pew spots on the same
footing our other pews are Disposed of

16thly Voted to Chuse a Committee to Determen what per-
sons shall have the pews

17thly Voted major Healy Edward Davis Esq Marcy
Josiah Conant & Daniel Newell said Committee

18thly Voted to abate all the highway rates that are not
worked out that was assessed before this meeting

The aforesaid officers are sworn

Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town
of Dudley in said County Greeting

In the Name of the Common Wealth of Massachusetts you
or either of you are hereby Directed forthwith to warne or
Notify all the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Quallified



according to Constitution to vote for a governer &c to meet at our meeting house in said Town on monday the second Day of April next at 2 o Clock in the afternoon then & there to act upon the following articals (viz)

- first to vote for a govenor for this Common Wealth
- 2ndly to vote for a Lt govenor for Do
- 3rdly to vote for Councillors & Senetors for Do
- 4thly to Choose a moderator for the remaing part of s^d meeting
- 5thly to hear the report of the Committee Chosen the last Town meeting^r Relative to y^e pew spots in our meeting house
- 6thly to see if the Town will grant money to pay our soldiars in part or act thereon as the Town thinks best
- 7thly for the Town to hear and act upon any Petition or Petitions that shall be laid before them as they see fitt

Hereof fail not and make Due return of this warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this 19th Day of march anno Domini 1781

Edward Davis	}	Selectmen of Dudley
William Larned		
Benj ^a morriss		
Nathall Healy		

Worcester SS April 2nd 1781 In obedience to the within written warrant I have warned & Notified the Inhabitants within mentioned to meet at time & place within perfect by setting up this warrant at the meeting house in s^d Town as usual

Pr Jedidiah Corbin Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting house in said Town on monday the 2nd Day of April 1781

first Voted & the votes for his Exelency John Hancock

Esq for governer was 39 & for his Hon^r: Thomas Cushing esq 1

2ndly Votes for his Hon^r: Thomas Cushing esqr for Lt governor was 32

3rdly Votes for Councillers & Senetors was as follows (viz)

for the Hon ^{ble} Moses Gill Esq :	18	Votes
for Samuel Baker Esq	18	
for Joseph Dorr Esq	18	
for Israel Nickols Esq	18	
for Seth Washburn Esq	18	

4thly Voted Esq Marcy moderator for the remainder of s^d meeting

5thly Voted £100 in silver money to pay the soldiars in part

6thly Voted to Impower our Committee that was Chosen to hire our three years men to Call out of the Constables hands so much of the silver money tax as they cannot get any other way: to pay the soldiars before they march

7thly Voted to pay all the Cost that the Constables shall be put to on account of their advancing the money to the said Committee (if any be)

8thly Voted to abate Daniel Waldos soldiari rate and rates for the last quato of beef that is assessed on him

Dudley March 19th 1781

We the subscribers being appointed by the Town of Dudley as a Committee to Determin who should have the ground or spots for the eight pews that the Town at their adjorned meeting the twelfth Day of this Instant march voted to have build where the five hind seats in our body seates now are: having considered of the matter Do agree to report as follows viz

Capt John Curtis & sons to have one pew spot m^r Joseph Upham & sons to have one pew spot m^r Joseph Healy to have one pew spot Capt Benj^a Morriss to have one pew spot m^r John Dalrympbell & m^r Simeon Wood to have one pew spot m^r Elijah gore & m^r Ralph Vinton to have one pew spot Capt Sam^l Healy & Capt John Eddy to have one pew spot & Capt Lemuel Corbin & mr moses Jewell

to have one pew spot: and said pews to be build in six months from the above Date and if not the spots to return to the Town and the seates shall not be taken up more than one month before the pews are set to set in and the seates to be the property of the Town: and if any part of said Seates are profitable towards building the pews the owners of the pews may have them allowing the Town the Value of said seates &c

Nathaniel Healy	} Committee
Edward Davis	
Jedidiah Marcy	
Daniel Newell	

the Committee having reported their Determination to the Town at the meeting aforesaid in order that it might be recorded mr Elisha Corbin Entered his Desent against the aforesaid report & Desired that it might be recorded



Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in said County Greeting

In the Name of the Common Wealth of the Massachusetts you or either of you are hereby Directed forth with to Warn the freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley quallified according to the Constitution to vote for a Representative to meet at our meeting House in said Town on monday y^e 21st Day of may Instant at one o Clock in the afternoon then & there to act upon the following articals viz

first to Elect & Depute a person to Represent us at the great & general Court to be held at the State House in Boston on wednesday the 30th Day of this Instant may & so from time to time During their session or sessions the Insuing year

2ndly to Chuse a moderator for the remainder of s^d meeting

3rdly to grant money for schooling & other Necessary charges for the year Insuing

4thly to Choose a School Committee to provide schooling the year Insuing

5^{thly} to hear and act upon any Petition or Petitions that shall be laid before the Town as they see fitt

hereof fail not & make Due Return of this warant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this seventh Day of may Anno Domini 1781

Jedidiah Marcy	} Selectmen of Dudley
William Larned	
Benjamin Morriss	
Nathaniel Healy	

Worcester SS may 21st 1781 By Virtue of this War- rant I have Warned & Notified the Inhabitants & freeholders of the Town of Dudley for to attend at time & place by setting up this warrant at the meeting House as usual

p^r John Edmunds Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley assembled together at our meeting house in said Town on monday 25th Day of may Anno Domini 1781

first Voted Major W^m Larned Representative

2^{ndly} Voted Esq^r Marcy moderator for the Remainder of s^d meeting

3^{rdly} Voted not to grant any money for schooling

4^{thly} Voted £ 40 in New Emission for Necessary charges

5^{thly} Voted not to sustain Elisha Corbin & Elijah gore petition

the following persons entered their protest against the un- constitutional proceedings of the Town in Chusing major William Larned a Representative after the limited time by Law & Constitution was over & past (viz) Edward Davis
Joseph Upham Elijah gore Jos: Sabin Capt John Curtis
Lt John Cortis Jeremiah Haskel John gore & Benjamin Lee



Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town
of Dudley in said County of Worcester Greeting In the
Name of the Common Wealth of Massachusetts you are hereby
Directed forthwith to Warn & Notify the freeholders & other
Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Quallified to Vote in Town
affairs to meet at our meeting house in Said Town on monday
the second Day of July next at four O Clock in the after
noon then & there to act upon the following articals (viz)

first to Chuse a moderator for said meeting
2ndly to grant money for the hire of our three years men
that are gone into the Continental army
3rdly to act Relative to raising more men & grant money
or act otherwise as the Town shall think best
4thly for the Town to hear & act upon any petition or pe-
titions that shall be laid before them as they see fitt
hereof fail not & make Due return of this warrant with your
Doings thereon unto the select men at or before y^e said Day
Dated at Dudley aforesaid this Eighteenth Day of June Anno
Domini 1781

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley
Regularly assembled at our meeting House on monday the
2nd Day of July Anno Domini 1781

first Voted Esq Marcy moderator for said meeting
2ndly Voted £300 in silver money towards the hire of our
three years soldiars then adjourned the remainder of Said
meeting without Day

July 12th 1781 the Town being Notified met according to
adjornment &

first Voted to raise 10 men agreeable to the orders of Court
by hire &

2ndly Voted that the Militia officers be a Committee to
hire said men & give secretees in the name of the Town

3rdly Voted & continued the old Committee for the purchis of Beef then adjorned the meeting to monday the 16th Day of said July at 6 Oclock in the after noon met agreeable to adjornment & Voted to have the Committee give to the three months soldiars 17£ for the term they shall be gone 5£ per month for the time they serve & the Town to Draw their wages Said terms to be agree upon before they march

Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting In the Name of the Common Wealth of Massachusetts you or Either of you are hereby Required forthwith to warn and Notify the freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Quallified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our Meeting house in said Town on Thursday the thirtieth Day of this Instant August at two OClock in the after noon then and there to act upon the following articles (viz)



first to Chuse a moderator for said meeting

2ndly to see what measurs the Town will come into to pay what is Due on the obligations that was given to our six & three months men that went into the army last year

3rdly to see what the Town will do Relative to the paper mony Taxes that are yet unpaid

4thly to see what the Town will do Relative to our paper money Notes that are given in the Behalf of the Town for Beef &c

5thly to Chuse a Committee to settle with the Rev^d mr Gleason

6thly to see what the Town will do Relative to the two men that are Drafted viz Cornet Jonathan Day & Nathaniel Clark

7thly to see what the Town will do Relative to Raising men for the time to come &c

8thly for the Town to act upon any petition or petitions that shall be laid before the Town as they see fitt

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hereof fail not and make Due return of this warrant with
your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before the said
Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this twenty fourth Day of
August Anno Domini 1781

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Worcester SS In obedience to the within written war-
rant I have warned the freeholders & other Inhabitants to meet
at time & place appointed by setting up this warrant as usual

p^r me Asa Robinson Constable of Dudley

Dudley August 30th 1781

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley
Regularly assembled at our meeting house on Thursday the
30 Day of August A D 1781

1st Voted Esq marcy moderator for said meeting

2ndly Voted to Chuse a Committee to inquire into the
paper money taxes that are Due & what payment can be ob-
tained from them that have not paid said taxes

3rdly Voted to have three for said Committee

4thly Voted m^r John Haskel m^r Simeon Wood & m^r
Jedidiah Corbin said Committee

5thly Voted to Chuse a Committee to settle with m^r Gleason

6thly Voted said Committee shall be three

7thly Voted m^r Joseph Upham m^r Joseph Sabin & Lt
Mark Elwell said Committee

8thly Voted not to act upon the sixth nor seventh articals

9thly Voted to adjorn the Remainder of said meeting to the
first monday in october next at one of the clock in the after
noon

10thly Voted that the two above Named Committees shall
make report to the Town at said adjornment then the
meeting was adjorned accordingly

Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town
of Dudley in said County Greeting



In the Name of the Common Wealth of Massachusetts you
or Either of you are hereby Directed forthwith to Warn or
Notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of our Town
quallified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting
House in Dudley on monday the 24th Day of December Instant
at ten O clock in the fore noon then and there to act upon
the following articals viz

first to Chuse a moderator for said meeting

2^{ndly} to grant money for Beef & other Necessary Charges

3^{rdly} to grant money for schooling & choose a School
Committee

4^{thly} to act Relative to moneys that is Due from the Town
to soldiars & others as they think best

5^{thly} to hear the Report of the Two Committees chose the
last Town meeting; hereof fail not and make Due Return of
this Warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen
at or before said Day

Dated at Dudley afore said this tenth Day of Decem^r Anno
Domini 1781

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Worcester SS In obedience to this Warrant I have
warned the freeholders & other Inhabitants of this Town
quallify^d to vote in Town affairs to meet at time & place ap-
pointed by seting up this Warrant as usual

Asa Robinson Constable of Dudley

Dudley Decem^r 24th 1781

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley
Regularly assembled at our meeting House in said Town on
monday the 24th Day of Decem^r A D 1781

first Voted Esq^r Marcy moderator for said meeting

2^{ndly} Voted 115 pounds for Beef

3rdly Voted 20 pounds for Necessary charges in leu of the 40 pounds New Emission that was granted last may

4thly Voted 60 pounds for Schooling

5thly Voted major Healy Cornet Day Simeon Wood Cap^t Corbin Capt Eddy Isaac Lee & John gore a School Committee

6thly Voted 140 pounds for the hire of the last summer soldiars



Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting

In the Name of the Common Wealth of Massachusetts you or Either of you are hereby Directed forthwith to warn or Notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Qualified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting House in said Town on monday the fourth Day of march next at nine of the clock in the forenoon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

first to Chuse a moderator for Said meeting

2ndly to Chuse Town officers & Committees for the Current year as the Law Directs

3rdly to Chuse som person to take care of our meeting house

4thly to see if the Town will let their swine run at large this year

5thly for the Town to grant money for the cost of the two Bridges that was build over Quinebog River last year

6thly to grant money for the cost of our highways & Bridges the Current year & agree how the same shall be Expended

7thly to hear and act upon any petition or petitions that shall be Laid before the Town as they see fitt

hereof fail not and make Due Return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon at or before said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this 18th Day of February Anno Domini 1782

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Worcester SS march 4th 1782 In obedience to the
within written Warrant I have warned & Notified the within
named Inhabitants to meet at time & and place within men-
tioned by this warrant being set up at the meeting house as usual
p^r Asa Robinson Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley
Regularly assembled at our meeting House in said Town on
monday the fourth Day of march A D 1782

- first Voted Esq Marcy moderator for said meeting
- 2ndly Voted to have five Selectmen this year
- 3rdly Voted Esq March first Selectman
- 4thly Voted Edward Davis second Do
- 5thly Voted Cap^t Morriss third Do
- 6thly Voted major Healy fourth do
- 7thly Voted Cornet Day fifth Do
- 8thly Voted Edward Davis Town Clerk
- 9thly Voted Leiut Curtis Town Treasurer
- 10thly Voted to have five Assessors this year
- 11thly Voted Edward Davis first Assessor
- 12thly Voted Leiut Foster Jun^r second Do
- 13thly Voted Capt Chamberlain third Do
- 14thly Voted Leiut Keith fourth Do
- 15thly Voted John Warren fifth Do
- 16thly Voted Leiut Jonathan Willard West end Constable
- 17thly Voted David Wakefield East End Constable
- 18thly Voted to have three for a Committee of Corespond-
ence &c
- 19thly Voted Joseph Sabin Cap^t Healy & Cap^t Carter said
Committee
- 20thly Voted Nathaniel Clark & John gore Wardians
- 21stly Voted John Vorce & Ebenezer White Tything men
- 22ndly Voted Cap^t Curtis Culler of Shingles & Clapboards
- 23rdly Voted major Healy sealar of weights & measurs
- 24thly Voted John Vorce sealar of Leather

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- 25thly Voted Leiut Foster Junr & Isaac Lee fence Viewers
 26thly Voted Stephen Coman William Smith Leiut Keith
 Joseph Allen Obadiah Bates Reuben Chamberlain & Elisha
 Sabin highway surveyors & Collectors of the highway rates
 27thly Voted to have our swine run at large this year
 28thly Voted Stephen Wood & Eleazer Putney Jun^r Hogg
 Reives
 29thly Voted m^r Alex^r Thompson to take care of our meeting
 House
 30thly Voted 60 pounds for the cost of the two Bridges over
 Quinnebog River that was Build last year
 31stly Voted 50 pounds for the coste of the highways &
 bridges this year
 32ndly Voted that the same shall be worked out at 2 /6 per
 Day at or before the first of october next
 the aforesaid officers are Sworn

Worcester SS. To Either of the Constables of the Town
 of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting

In the Name of the Common Wealth of Massachusetts you
 or either of you are hereby Directed forthwith to warn the
 freeholders and other Inhabitants of said Town Quallified to
 vote for governer &c to meet at our meeting house in said
 Dudley on monday the first Day of April next at one O clock
 in the after noon then and there to act upon the following
 articles viz

- first to Vote for a governer
 2ndly to Vote for a Lt governer
 3rdly to Vote for Councillors & Senetors (agreeable to
 Constitution)
 4thly to Chuse a moderator for the remainder of said meeting
 5thly to Chuse a person to meet in Convention at Worcester
 on the second Tuesday of April next if they think it best
 6thly to here the Report of the Committee that was Chosen
 to Call upon the militia officers Relative to fines they have



Collected from the people and to act there on as the Town sees fitt

7^{thly} To see if the Town will set off mr Joseph Upham and others from their School Ward and let them Draw their own money or act thereon as they see fitt

8^{thly} to hear and act upon any petition or petitions that shall be laid before the Town as they see fitt

hereof fail not and mak Due Return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid the 22nd Day of march Anno Domini 1782

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

In obedience to the Within Warrant I have Warned the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Quallified to Vote in town affairs to meet at time and place within mentioned by setting up this Warrant as usual

David Wakefield Constable of Dudley

Dudley April 1st 1782

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting house in Dudley on monday the first Day of April anno Domini 1782

first the Votes for governer was as follows viz

for his Exelency John Hancock Esq^r 19 Votes

for the Hon^{ble} Artemus Ward Esq^r 14 Votes

& for the Hon^{ble} James Bowdoin Esq^r 5 Votes

2^{ndly} the Votes for Leiut governer was as follows viz

for his Honor Thomas Cushing Esq^r 9 Votes

for the Hon^{ble} Samuel Holton Esq 11 Votes

& for the Hon^{ble} James Warren Esq^r 1 Vote

3^{rdly} the Votes for Councillors & Senetors was as follows viz

for the Hon moses gill Esq 18 Votes

Do Samuel Baker Esq 11 Votes

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Do Joseph Dorr Esq	17 Votes
Do Israel Nickolls Esq	9 Votes
Do Jonathan Warner Esq	15 Votes
Do Seth Washburn Esq	1 Vote
Joseph Reed Esq	7 Votes
Jacob Davis Esq	10 Votes
m ^r Nathan Perry	1 Vote
& m ^r Challs Curtis	1 Vote

4^{thly} Voted & Chose Esq marcy moderator for the remainder of said meeting

5^{thly} Voted to send one person to the county convention proposed to be held at Worcester on the second Tuesday of april Instant

6^{thly} Voted & Chose Cornet Jonathan Day for said purpose

7^{thly} Voted to have a Commettee of three to settle with the militia officers concerning the moneys in their hands & the officers refused to be Settled with by a Come^e but said the militia Law was their rule of conduct

8^{thly} Voted to put over y^e 7th artical to may meeting

9^{thly} Voted to have Isaac Coburn bound to Joshua Coburn free of all taxes till he is 21 years old

10^{thly} Voted to abate Joseph Whitfords rates that is Due to Constable Corbin being about 48 /



Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting

In the Name of the Common Wealth of Massachusetts you or either of you are hereby Directed forthwith to Warne the Inhabitants of said Town quallified to vote for a Representative to meet at our Meeting House in said Dudley on monday the 13th Day of May next at one O clock in the after noon then & there to act upon the following articals viz

first to Chuse a person to Represent us at the Great and General Court the Currant year

2ndly to Chuse a moderator for the Remainder of said meeting

3rdly to grant money for the horses that was purchised for the army in the year 1780

4thly to grant money for to pay our Cunstables in part for their Trouble & Cost if the Town sees fitt or act there on as they think best

5thly to act Relative to m^r Joseph Uphams school ward that was put over from last meeting &c

6thly to hear and act upon any petition or petitions that shall be laid before the Town as they see fitt

hereof fail not and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before the said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid the 29th Day of April Anno Domini 1782

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Worcester SS Dudley may 13th 1782 In obedience to the within Warrant I have Warned the within mentioned persons by setting up this Warrant at the meeting House as usual

by me Jon^o Willard Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting House in Dudley on monday the 13th Day of may 1782

first Voted and did not chuse a Representative

2ndly Voted Esq^r Marcy moderator for the remainder of sd meeting

3rdly Voted 53£ of the Receipt in favour of Constable Jacob Warren (being the benefit of the Town) to Esq^r Marcy to pay for the horses he purchised for the army in the year 1780

then adjourned the meeting to next monday y^e 20th Instant at five O clock in the after noon

met according to adjournment and

first Voted not to grant any money for to pay the Constables for their cost and trouble

2ndly Voted not to set off m^r Joseph Upham & others as a School ward by them selves

3rdly Voted Not to let them have one third of the money that ward Draws that they belong to to school out as they please



Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in said County of Worcester Greeting

In the Name of the Common Wealth of Massachusetts you or either of you are hereby Directed forthwith to warn or Notify the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of said Town Quallified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting House in said Dudley on Wednesday the twenty fifth Day of September Instant at one of the Clock in the after noon then and there to act upon the following articals viz

first to Chuse a moderator for said meeting

2ndly to agree how the remainder of the money Due to the Town for the 6 & 3 months mens wages that went into the Service in the year 1780 shall be appropriated

3rdly to Chuse a Committee to see what the Town owes &c

4thly to Chuse a Committee to Repair the Brid over the River near m^r Andrew Browns or act thereon as the Town sees fitt

5thly to Chuse a person to meet in County Convention & act thereon as the Town thinks best

6thly to hear and act upon any petition or petitions that shall be laid before the Town as they see fitt

here of fail not and make Due Return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before the said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid the 18th Day of September A D 1782

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Worcester SS Dudley September 25th 1782

In obedience to the within written warrant I have warned & Notified the within Named Inhabitants to meet at time and place within mentioned by seting up this warrant at the meeting House as usual

p^r David Wackfield Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting House in said Town on wednesday the 25th Day of Septem^r 1782

first Voted & Chose Esq Marcy moderator for said meeting

2ndly Voted that the remainder of the money that is Due to the Town of the 6 & 3 months mens wages that went into the Service in the year 1780 shall be appropriated to pay the Town Debts that is or will soon be on Interest

3rdly Voted to chuse a Committee of three to see what the Town owes

4thly Voted Lt Foster Jun^r Enss Jeffers & Cap^t Chamberlain said committee

5thly Voted to Chuse a Committee of three to Repair the Brige over the River near m^r Andrew Browns

6thly Voted Cornet Day m^r Andrew Brown & Lt Hill s^d Committee

7thly Voted not to send a person to the County Convention

Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in said County Greeting

In the Name of the Common Wealth of Massachusetts you or Either of you are hereby Directed forthwith to warne the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Quallified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting House in said Dudley on Monday the Twenty third Day of December Instant at one oClock in the after noon then & there to act upon the following articals (viz)



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first to Chuse a modarator for said meeting
 2^{ndly} to grant money for schooling the Coming year
 3^{rdly} to Chuse schoole Committees for the year insuing
 4^{thly} to act Relative to the money that was Borrowed of
 m^r Job Holbrook as the Town thinks best
 5^{thly} to Chuse a Committee to Call upon the Militia Officers
 Relative to fines in their hands &c
 6^{thly} to hear and act upon any petition or petitions that
 shall be laid before the Town as they see fitt
 here of fail not and make Due Return of this Warrant with
 your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before the said
 23rd Day of December Currant Dated at Dudley aforesaid
 the ninth Day of December Anno Domini 1782

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Worcester SS In obedience to the within warrant I have
 warned the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of
 Dudley Quallified to vote in Town affairs to meet at time
 place appointed by seting up this warrant as usual

by me David Wakefield Constable

Dudley December y^e 23rd 1782

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley
 Regularly assembled at our meeting House in s^d Dudley on
 Monday the 23rd Day of December A D 1782

first Voted & Chose Esq Marcy Moderator for said meeting
 2^{ndly} Voted 30 pounds for schooling the coming year
 3^{rdly} Voted Ensigr Ammidon Cornet Day m^r Joseph
 Allen Leuit Keith Cap^t Healy m^r Benjamin Stone & Leuit
 Jewell School Committees for the year Insuing
 4^{thly} Voted to put over the fourth artical to next March
 meeting
 5^{thly} Voted to have a Committee of three to call upon the
 Militia officers Relative to fines in their hands &c

6^{thly} Voted m^r Jacob Warren Cornet Day & m^r Stephen Coman said Committee

Worcester SS to Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in said County of Worcester Greeting In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you or Either of you are hereby Directed forthwith to Warn or Notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting House in said Dudley on monday the third Day of march next at nine oClock in the fore noon then and there to act upon the following articals viz



first to Choose a moderator for said meeting

2^{ndly} to Chuse Town officers & Committees for the Insuing year as the Law Directs

3^{rdly} to see if the Town will agree to pay our Constables for Collecting the taxes the year Insuing

4^{thly} to see if the Town will let their swine run at large this year

5^{thly} to grant money for our highways & Bridges this year and agree how the same shall be Expended

6^{thly} to see if the Town will Chuse a Committee to Draw a petition to to send to the general Court for a redress of our grievances

7^{thly} for the Town to act Relative to any Road or Roads that shall be laid before them as they think best

8^{thly} to see if the Town will let the New school Ward Draw as much money as the other middle wards

9^{thly} to here and act upon any petition or petitions that shall be laid before the Town as they see fitt

here of fail not and make Due Return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before the said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this fifteenth Day of February Anno Domini 1783

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

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Worcester SS march 3rd 1783 In obedience to the within written warrant I have warned and Notified the several Inhabitants within mentioned to meet at time and place within ordered by setting this warrant up at the meeting House in Dudley as usual

Pr David Wakefield Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting House in said Dudley on Monday the third Day of march A D 1783

- first Voted & chose Esq marcy moderator of said meeting
- 2ndly Voted to have five Selectmen this year
- 3rdly Voted Esq marcy first Selectman
- 4thly Voted Edward Davis second Selectman
- 5thly Voted Cap^t morris third Selectman
- 6thly Voted major Healy fourth selectman
- 7thly Voted Cornet Day fifth Selectman
- 8thly Voted Edward Davis Town Clerk
- 9thly Voted Leint Curtis Town Treasurer
- 10thly Voted to have five Assessors this year
- 11thly Voted Edward Davis first Assessor
- 12thly Voted Leint Foster Jr second Assessor
- 13thly Voted Capt Chamberlain third Assessor
- 14thly Voted John Warren fourth Assessor
- 15thly Voted Leint Keith fifth Assessor
- 16thly Voted not to pay our constables for collecting the taxes this year
- 17thly Voted Cap^t Eddy west end Constable
- 18thly Voted and Excused Capt Eddy from serving Constable this year
- 19thly Voted m^r Isaac Lee west end Constable
- 20thly Voted m^r mark Dodge East end Constable
- 21stly Voted to have three for a Committee of corespondence &c this year

- 22ndly Voted m^r Joseph Sabin Lieut and Cap^t Corbin said Committee
- 23rdly Voted m^r Benjamin Kidder and m^r Benjamin Edmunds Wardens
- 24thly Voted Lieut Elwell & John Vinton fence viewers
- 25thly Voted m^r Benjamin Lee Culler of Shingles & Clapboards
- 26thly Voted major Healy Sealer of weights and measures
- 27thly Voted John Healy Sealer of Leather
- 28thly Voted Leint Foster Jr & m^r John Brackett Tything men
- 29thly Voted major Larned Cap^t Corbin m^r Steven Coman Cornet Day m^r Josiah Conant Lieut Jewell and m^r Thomas Cheney Surveyors of highways
- 30thly Voted that the highway surveyors be Collectors of the highway rate
- 31stly Voted to let our swine Run at large this year
- 32ndly Voted John Lee John Chamberlain & Stephen Healy Hogg Reives
- 33rdly Voted 60 pounds for the cost of our highways & Bridges this year
- 34thly Voted that the same shall be worked out at 3 shillings per Day at or before the first Day of october next
- 35thly Voted to Chuse a Committee to Draw a petition to send to the general Court seting forth our greivences we labour under
- 36thly Voted Esq Fennor Lieut Willard & Esq Davis said Committee
- 37thly Voted that the New ward so called shall not draw as much money as the other middle wards
- 38thly Voted to Discontinue two rods of the fore Rod Road from Robinsons mills to our meeting House so far as to where the road from m^r Joseph Allens comes into said Road near Esq^r Davises and to Establish the other two Rods as a Town Road where it is now trod
- 39thly Voted to discontinue two Rods of the four Rod Road leading from m^r Joseph Allens to the aforesaid Road from

Robinsons mills to our meeting House and to Establish the other two Rods as a Town Road where it is now trod

40thly Voted to discontinue one Rod of said first mentioned Road from where the last mentioned Road comes into it to the meeting House and to Establish the other three Rods where the said Road is now trod

41stly Voted not to grant the petition of L^t Foster and others concerning a Committee to repair the Bridge near said Fosters

42ndly Did adjorn the meeting on account of Constables &c to Monday the 17th Instant at 3 oClock in the afternoon

Met agreeable to adjornment and

first Voted to excuse m^r Isaac Lee from serving Constable this year

2ndly Voted Ens Eben^r Amadon west end Constable

3rdly Voted to Excuse Ens Eben^r Amadon from serving Constable this year

4thly Voted Stephen Coman West End Constable

then Adjorned the meeting to Monday the 24th day of this Instant march at 4 oClock in the after noon

met agreeable to adjornment and Voted to Excuse Stephen Coman from serving as Constable and then adjorned the meeting to monday the 7th Day of June next at one of the clock in the after noon

met agreeable to adjornment and first Voted that the Town would allow Stephen Coman Ens Ebenezer Amidon & Isaac Lee each of em a turn of serving Constable if they would procure one for this year & then the Town Chose John Chamberlain west end Constable to serve for said three persons

the aforesaid officers are sworn

Worcester ss To either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in said county Greeting In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are Either of you hereby Directed forthwith to warn or Notify the several Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Quallified agreeable to the Constitution



to vote for governor &c to meet at our meeting House in said Dudley on monday the seventh Day of April next at one of the clock in the afternoon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

first to vote for a governor

2rdly to Vote for a Leiu^t Governor

3rdly to Vote for Councilers & Senators (as above said)

4thly to Chuse a moderator for the remainder of said meeting

5thly to act Relative to the Bridge over the french River so Called near Lt Fosters as the Town thinks best

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6thly to hear and act upon any petition or petitions that shall be laid before the Town as they see fitt

hereof fail not and make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings there on unto the Selectmen at or before the said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid the twentieth Day of march Anno Domini 1783

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Worcester ss In obedience to the within warrant I have warned & Notified the Inhabitants within mentioned to meet at time and place specified by setting this warrant up at the meeting house as usual

Pr mark Dodge Constable &c

Dudley April 7th 1783

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly Assembled at our meeting House in said Dudley on monday the 7th Day of April 1783

first Voted for governer and the Votes for his Exelency John Hancock Esq was 32

2ndly Voted for Leiu^t governer and the Votes for his Honour Thomas Cushing Esq was 24

3rdly Voted for Councilers and Senators 3rd and the Votes was as follows viz

for the Hon : moses gill Esq

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Do	Samuel Baker Esq	24
Do	Jonathan Warner Esq	24
& Do	Seth Washburn Esq	19
for	Jacob Davis Esq	13
Do	Joseph Read Esq	3
& Do	Samuel Curtis Esq	1
for m ^r	Caleb Ammidon	11
4 ^{thly}	Voted Esq Marcy moderator for the remainder of said meeting	
5 ^{thly}	Voted to Chuse a Committee to Repair the Bridge over the french River so Called near Leiut Fosters	
6 ^{thly}	Voted m ^r Joseph Allen Cornet Day and Leiut Foster said Committee	

April 14th 1783 then we the subscribers met and preambulated the line between Oxford and Dudley begining at a maple tree with stones about it near where Robinsons mill Brook comes out of Chogamegunamug pond then Norwesterly to a stake and stones about thirty Rods south Easterly of said Robinsons mills then to a stake and stones about ten Rods northerly of Collins moores hous then westerly to a stake and stones then Northerly to the Nor. East Corner of Dudley being a large heep of stones then westerly to Charlton south East Corner and have Renewed the Bounds

Ebenezer Learned	} Selectmen of Oxford
Daniel Fisk	

Jedidiah marcy	} Selectmen of Dudley
Edward Davis	
Jonathan Day	

April 30th 1783 then we the subscribers met and preambulated the line between Dudley and Charlton begining at a large heep of stones in Dudley North line it being Charlton South East corner and then we Extended Westerly by a line

of marked trees and heaps of stones till we came to a large
heap of stones in Sturbrige East line it being Dudley Norwest
corner and Charlton South west corner and have Renewed the
Bounds

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Jedidiah marcy } Selectmen
Edward Davis } of Dudley

Caleb Ammidown } Selectmen
Abijah Lamb } of Charlton

Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town
of Dudley in said County Greeting In the Name of the
Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby Directed
forthwith to Warne or Notify the several Inhabitants of said
Town Quallified (agreeable to the Constitution) to Vote for a
Representative to meet at our meeting House in said Dudley
on Tuesday the sixth Day of may next at one oClock in the
after noon then and there to act upon the following
articals viz



first to Elect a person to Represent us at the General Court
appointed to be holden at the State House in Boston on the
last wednesday of may next and from session to session (where-
ever the said Court shall set) for the coming year

2ndly to Chuse a moderator for the Remainder of said
meeting

3rdly to grant money for Necessary Charges in our Town

4thly to grant money for the Second years pay of our three
years soldiars or act thereon as the Town thinks best

5thly for the Town to hear and act upon any petitions or
petitions that shall be laid before them as they see fitt

Here of fail not and make Due Return of this warrant with
your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before the said
Day: Dated at Dudley aforesaid the 22nd Day of April
Anno Domini 1783

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Worcester SS In obedience to this Warrant I have warned the several Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley to meet at the time and place within mentioned by setting up this Warrant at the usual place

by me John Chamberlain Constable
Dudley may 6th 1783

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting House on Tuesday the 6th Day of may A D 1783

first Voted to send a Representative to the General Court this year

2ndly Voted Edward Davis Esq said Representative

3rdly Voted Esq Marcy moderator for the remainder of s^d meeting

4thly Voted 60 pounds for Necessary Charges

5thly Voted 300 pounds for the second years pay of our three years soldiars

6thly Voted to have a Committee of three to look up the bounds of our Common & make report &c

7thly Voted major Larned Capt Morriss & Capt Chamberlain said Committee

8thly Voted to have a Committee of three to Draw Instructions for our Representative & make report

9thly Voted m^r Jonathan Bacon m^r Elisha Corbin and m^r Jacob Warren said Committee: then the meeing adjorned for one hour: met agreeable to adjornment and after the Committees Draft of Instructions was red and past in parregrafts and amended was accepted by the Town

10thly Voted to allow the account for building the Bridge near m^r Andrew Brown save 6^d per Day for the worke done in the fall of the year to be abated

11thly Voted 18 pound for to pay said account

12thly Voted to accept the Report of the Committee Relative to the fines that are in the militia officers hands which was

£4. 8. 0 value in spece in Capt Healys hands and £2-6-0 in
Leuit Willards hands

Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town
of Dudley in said County of Worcester Greeting In the
Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby
Required forthwith to warn and Notify the freeholders and
other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley quallified to Vote in
Town affairs to meet at our meeting House in said Dudley on
Monday the 15th Day of December next at one of the clock in
the after noon then and there to act upon the following
articals viz



- first to Chuse a moderator for said meeting
- 2ndly to grant money for schooling the year Insuing
- 3rdly to Chuse a School Committee for the comming year
- 4thly to hear and act upon any petition or petitions that
shall be laid before the Town as they see fitt

hereof fail not and make Due Return of this warrant with
your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before the said
15th Day of December next Dated at Dudley the 28th Day
of November Anno Domini 1783

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Worcester SS December 15th 1783

In obediance to this Warrant I have warned and Notified
the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley
to meet on Monday the 15th of December at one oClock in the
after Noon at this place to act upon the articals here men-
tioned

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By me mark Dodge Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the
Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting House

in said Town on Monday the 15th Day of December A D 1783

first Voted Esq marcy moderator for said meeting

2ndly Voted 40 pounds for schooling the year Insuing

3rdly Voted m^r John Bracket Lt Jonathan Willard Lt
Jn^o Curtis Capt Lemuel Corbin m^r Simeon Wood major
Nath^l Healy & Thomas Cheney School^r Committees for the
year Insuing

4thly Voted not to abate Jonathan groo & Jeremiah Has-
kels Rates as Requested by them

Jeremiah Haskel made a Declaration Concerning paying
ministers Rates agreeable to the vote of the Town in the
year 1779

*Worcester SS

To either of the constables of the Town of Dudley in said
county Greeting In the Name of Commonwealth of Massa-
chusetts you or either of you are hereby Directed forthwith to
Warn the freeholders and other inhabitants of the Town of
Dudley Quallified to Vote in Town affairs to meet our meet-
ing House in said Town on Thursday the fifth day of Feb-
ruary next at one of the clock in the after noon then and
thare to act upon the following articals viz

first to chuse a moderator for said meeting

2ndly to Know the minds of the people about the Conte-
nental officers five years pay and act there as they see fitt

hereof fail not and make due Return of this Warrant with
your doings unto the Select men at or before the said fifth day
of February next Dated at Dudley this twenty ninth day
of January Anno Domini 1784

Jedidiah marcy	} Select men of Dudley
Benj ⁿ Morres	
Jonathan Day	

Worcester SS in obedience to this Warrant I have Warned
the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley

* This warrant was written on inside of front cover of record book.—EDITOR.

to meet at our meeting house on Tuesday the fifth day February instant at one a clock in the after noon then and there to act upon articals here mentioned

by me mark Dodge Constable of Dudley
Dudley February 5th 1784

At meeting on the 5th day of February
first chose Esq^r marcy Moderator for said meeting
2d Voted to chuse a committee of three men to meet at Sutton with the committees of other Towns
3ly chose Esq^r Fennor for a committee
4ly chose Cornet Day ditto
5ly chose m^r Jonathan Bacon ditto
A True Copy of the Return made to me
Edward Davis Town Clerk

Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in said County Greeting

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you or Either of you are hereby Directed forthwith to warn the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting house in said Town on monday the first Day of march next at Nine of the clock in the fore noon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

- first to Chuse a moderator for said meeting
- 2ndly to Chuse Town officers & Committees for the Current year as the Law Directs
- 3rdly to see if the Town will let their swine run at large the year Insuing
- 4thly to grant money for the highways & Bridges for the present year and agree how the same shall be worked out
- 5thly to Chuse some person for a grave Diger



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6^{thly} to accept of any Roads that shall be laid before the Town

7^{thly} to hear and act upon any petition or petitions that shall be laid before the Town as they see fitt

here of fail not and make Due Return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon unto us the subscribers at or before the said first Day of march next Dated at Dudley aforesaid the seventh Day of February anno Domini 1784

Jedidiah marcy	} Selectmen of Dudley
Nathaniel Healy	
Jonathan Day	

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Worcester SS march y^e 1st 1784 In obedience to this Warrant I have warned the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley to meet according to time and place within mentioned by setting up this Warrant at the usual place

p^r John Chamberlain Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting house in Dudley on monday y^e first day of march Anno Domini 1784

first Voted & Chose m^r Jonathan Bacon moderator for said meeting

- 2^{ndly} Voted Edward Davis Town Clerk
- 3^{rdly} Voted Jedidiah marcy Esq first Selectman
- 4^{thly} Voted Cap^t Benjamin Morriss Second Selectman
- 5^{thly} Voted Cornet Jonathan Day third Selectman
- 6^{thly} Voted Cap^t Jacob Chamberlain fourth Selectman
- 7^{thly} Voted Leiu^t John Curtis fifth Selectman
- 8^{thly} Voted Leiu^t John Curtis Town Treasurer
- 9^{thly} Voted m^r Jonathan Bacon first Assessor
- 10^{thly} Voted Leiu^t Timothy Foster Jun^r second Assessor
- 11^{thly} Voted major Nathaniel Healy third Assessor
- 12^{thly} Voted Cap^t Jacob Chamberlain fourth Assessor
- 13^{thly} Voted Leiu^t Joseph Keith fifth Assessor
- 14^{thly} Voted Cap^t John Eddy west end Constable

- 15thly Voted Leint mark Elwell East end Constable
16thly Voted to Excuse Leint mark Elwell upon the conditions that he pays Constable mark Dodge for Collecting all the taxes that should have been collected by Constable David Wakefeild
17thly Voted Timothy Corbin East end Constable
18thly Voted major Healy John Bracket Isaac Lee John Vorce Cap^t Corbin Ebenezer White & Thomas Cheney highway Surveyors
19thly Voted Joseph Sabin & Joseph Keith Wardians
20thly Voted Isaac Lee & William Foster Tythingmen
21stly Voted Josiah Hovey Culler of Shingles and Clapboards hoops &c
22ndly Voted John Healy Sealer of Leather
23rdly Voted Nath^l Clark Deer Reefe
24thly Voted major Nath^l Healy Sealer of weights & measurs
25thly Voted Nathan Jeffords and moses Jewell fence Viewers
26thly Voted Ezra Holbrook Thomas Upham John Vinton Jun^r and Solomon Wakefield Hog Reives
and then Adjorned the meeting to monday next the 8th Day of march Instant at one O clock in the after noon
march 8th met agreeable to adjornment and
first Voted to accept of John Chamberlain to serve as Constable in the room of Capt John Eddy
2ndly Voted to let our swine run at large this year
3rdly Voted that the highwaysurveyors shall be Collectors of that tax
4thly Voted to allow the Committees account for Buildin the Bridge over the frence River near Cornet Days
5thly Voted £60 for Repairing the Bridges & higways this year
6thly Voted that the same shall be worked out at three shillings per Day from the first of may till the first of october next
7thly Voted m^r Alexander Thompson grave Diger

8^{thly} Voted to accept the Road laid out by the Selectmen 29 of August 1783 across the Wenthrops land so Called

9^{thly} Voted to abate all William Jordens Rates that is now Assessed upon him in the Town of Dudley

10^{thly} Voted to accept of Cornet Days John Bracketts & Asa Robinsons petition as a Committee for the East School Ward

officers sworn as the Law Directs

A Road Laid out by the Selectmen of Dudley on the 29th Day of August 1783 across the Wentthrop Land from Sturbridge line to Charlton line begining at the North End of a Road laid out and accepted by said Sturbridge near Joseph Barretts and from thence it leads near North across lands occupied by said Joseph Barret & Henry pratt & Edward Larned to a stake and stones by land occupied by James Diers then near the same corse to a heap of stones on a large rock then a little more west to a white oak tree marked on the same land occupied by said Dier then near the same course to the sawmill Dam then near North to a white oake stump with stones about it on the widow Sarah Cheney's Thirds then to the elbough of a stone wall on said thirds then by said wall to a heap of stones by land occupied by Cap^t Benjamin Freeman [and the Road is to be three rods wide from the said Elboughs of the Wall till it is across the rocky swale or run] then on said Freemans occupied lands till it comes to land occupied by Abijah Searles to a stake and stones then on the line between the said Freemans and Searles one rod on each till it comes the Road that leads from Dudley to Sturbridge at Charlton line to the corner of the wall of the lot of Land that the said Searles lives on

Said Road is to be two rods wide except as before mentnd for y^e elboug of the wall till it has crossd the rocky loland and then to be three rods wide and the Bounds are on easterly side of the Road

this Road was hed before the Town at there march meeting 1784 and accepted

Jedidiah marcy	} Selectmen of Dudley
Edward Davis	
Nathaniel Healy	



Worcester SS

To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in said county Greeting In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are Either of you hereby Directed forthwith to Warn or Notify the several Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley quallified to Vote for a governer &c agreeable to the Constitution to meet at our meeting House in said Dudley on monday y^e fifth Day of April next at one of the clock in the after noon then and there to act upon the following articals viz



- first to Vote for a governer
- 2ndly to Vote for a Leiut governer
- 3rdly to Vote for Councilers & Senaters &c
- 4thly to Chuse a moderator for the remainder of said meeting
- 5thly to grant money to pay m^r Job Holbrook the money that was borrowed of him for the Town or act thereon as the Town thinks best
- 6thly to hear and act upon any petition or petitions that shall be laid before the Town as they see fitt

hereof fail not and make Due Return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon at or before the said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid the twenty second Day of march Anno Domini 1784

Jedidiah marcy	} Selectmen of Dudley
Jonathan Day	
Jacob Chamberlain	
John Curtis Jr	

Worcester SS April 5th 1784 In obedience to the within

written Warrant I have Warned the freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley to meet according to time and place within mentioned by setting up this Warrant at the usual place

p^r John Chamberlain Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Quallyfied to Vote for a governer &c Regularly assembled at our meeting House in said Dudley on Monday the fifth Day of April A D 1784

first Voted for a governer as follows viz

for his Exelence John Hancock Esq ^r	16 votes
for the Hon James Bowdoin Esq ^r	8 votes
& Benj ^a Lincoln Esq ^r	1 vote

2ndly Voted for Leiutenant governer as follows viz

for his Honour Thomas Cushing Esq ^r	23 votes
& Caleb Amidown Esq ^r	3 votes

3rdly Voted for Councilors and Senaters as follows viz

for the Hon Moses Gill Esq	22 votes
Samuel Baker Esq	2 votes
the Hon Daniel Nichols Esq ^r	22 votes
Seth Washburn Esq	22 votes
& Jonathan Warner Esq ^r	22 votes
Caleb Amidown Esq ^r	18 votes
& Edward Davis Jun ^r Esq	1 vote
& Capt Bezalial Taft	1 vote

4thly Voted Jedidiah marcy Esq^r moderator for the remainder of said meeting

5thly Voted to appropriate that order of £64-11-0 Drawn on Constable Dodge in favor of Edward Davis that is the Town property towards paying the Debt Due to Jedidiah marcy Esq^r & from him to mr Job Holbrook borrowed may 1778 to pay soldiars

6thly Voted 300 pounds more for to pay the remainder of said Debt

Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in said County Greeting



In the Name of the Commonwealth of the Massachusetts you or Either of you hereby Directed forthwith to Warn or Notify the free holders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley that are quallified to Vote for a Representative agreeable to the Constitution or form of government to meet at our meeting House in said Town on Wednesday the twelfth Day of may next at one of the Clock in the after noon then and to act upon the following articals (viz)

first To Elect and Depute a person or persons to Represent us at the Great & General court the year Insuing agreeable to the precept to us Directed therefor

2ndly to Chuse a moderator for the Remainder of said meeting

3rdly to grant money for to pay the three years men their last years hire

4thly to hear or act upon any petition or petitions that shall be laid before the Town as they see fitt

hereof fail not and make Due Return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this twenty seventh Day of April Anno Domini 1784

Jedidiah marcy }
Jonathan Day } Selectmen
John Curtis Jr } of Dudley

Worcester SS may the 12th 1784 In obedience to the within Warrant I have warned the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley to meet at the time and place within mentioned by seting up this warrant at the meeting House in Dudley according to the usual custom of the Town

p^r me Timothy Corbin Constable of Dudley



At a meeting of the Freehold and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly Assembled at our Meeting House

in said Town on Wednesday the 12th Day of may Anno Domini 1784

first Voted Cornet Jonathan Day Representative

2ndly Voted Cornet Day moderator for the Remainder of s^d meeting

3rdly Voted £424 for the last years hire of our three years men with the Interest therefor

4thly Voted not to grant primas morney and others petition to abate their poll tax

5thly Voted to Chuse a Committee of three to Draw & Report to the Town Instructions to our Representative

6thly Voted Esq^r Fenner m^r Elisha Corbin & m^r Jonathⁿ Bacon said Committee

7thly Voted to adjorn the Remainder of the meeting to monday the 24 Day of this Instant may at 5 o'clock in the after noon

met agreeable to adjornment and Voted to accept the Reporte of the Committee chosen to Draw Instructions to our Representative

Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in said County of Worcester Greeting

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby Directed Forthwith to Warn the Inhabitants of the said Town Quallified as the Constitution provides to Vote for Representatives to meet at our Meeting House in said Dudley on monday the Thirtieth Day of August Instant at two of clock in the after noon then and there to act upon the following articals viz

first to Chuse a moderator for said meeting

2ndly to bring in their Votes in writing for some discreet suitable person to fill up the Vacancy in the office of Register of Deed for said County of Worcester untill the time appointed by Law for a new choice &c

hereof fail not and make Due Return of this Warrant with



your Doings there on unto the Selectmen at or before said 30th Day of August Currant Dated at Dudley aforesaid the 21st Day of August anno Domini 1784

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Worcester SS August 30th 1784

In obedience to this Warrant I have warned the freeholders and other Inhabitants to meet at our meeting House as the Law Directs by setting up this warrant at the usual place

Timothy Corbin Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Quallified as the Law Directs to vote for a Regester of Deeds Regularly assembled at our meeting House in said Dudley on Monday the Thirtieth Day of August Anno Domeni 1784 to Vote for a Register of Deeds for the County of Worcester &c

Jedidiah Marcy Esq moderator for said meeting

The Votes that ware brought in for a Regester of Deeds by said Inhabitants was as follows viz

for Timothy Paine Esq	8 votes
for Daniel Clap Esq	11 votes
for Caleb Ammidown Esqr	8 votes
for Capt Benjamin Read	2 votes
and for m ^r Luther Fesk	1 vote

Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in the said County of Worcester Greeting

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby Directed forthwith to warne the Inhabitants of the said Town Quallified as the Constitution provides to Vote for Representatives to meet at our meeting House in said Dudley on Tuesday the sixteenth Day of November Instant at one of the clock in the afternoon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

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first to Chuse a moderator for said meeting

2ndly to bring in their Votes in writing for some discreet faithful person to fill up the Vacancy in the office of Regester of Deed for the said County of Worcester until the time appointed by Law for a new Choice &c

3rdly to grant money for Necessary Charges in said Town

4thly to grant money for schooling the present year and Choose School Committes

5thly to hear and act upon any petition or petitions that shall be laid before the Town as they see fitt

hereof fail not and make Due Return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before the said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid the second Day of November Anno Domini 1784

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Worcester SS Dudley November y^e 16th 1784

In obedience to the within written Warrant I have Warned and Notified the within mentioned Inhabitants to meet at time and place within perfixtd by setting up this Warrant at the meeting House as usual

Timothy Corbin Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Quallified as the Law Directs Duly warnet and Regularly assembled at our meeting House in Dudley on Tuesday y^e 16th Day of November A D 1784 to act upon the articals in the before mentioned warrant &c

first Voted Nathaniel Healy Esq^r moderator for said meeting

2ndly the votes that ware brought in by said Inhabitants for a Regester of Deeds for said County was as follows viz

for Daniel Clap Esq twenty six Votes

for Timothy Paine Esq three Votes

& for Capt Benjamin Read one Vote

3rdly the Town granted £70 for Necessary Charges in said Town

4thly granted £60 for schooling in the year 1784

5thly Chose Cap^t Chamberlain Cap^t Eddy Lieut Keith Cornet Day m^r Joseph Allen major Healy & Ensign Amidon School Committee

6thly Voted to abate the taxes that is now Due from Eben^r Heberd to Constable Robinson and the Contenental tax Due to Constable Dodge

7thly Voted to have Constable Jacob Warran suspend Committing m^r Daniel Newell to gail for his taxes till after the tenth Day of march next and Newell to remain his presener at large in the mene time

8thly Voted that the other Constables are not to distress said Newell for his other taxes till after said tenth Day of march

Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in said County of Worcester Greeting

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you or Either of you are hereby Commanded forthwith to warn or Notiefy the freeholders and other Inhabitants of said Town quallified to Vote in Town affairs or ^{*}for a Regester of Deeds to meet at our meeting House in in said Dudley on monday the seventh Day of march next at nine of the Clock in the forenoon to act upon the following articals viz

first to Chuse a moderator for said meeting

2ndly to Chuse Town officers &c for the Insuing year as the Law Directs

3rdly to see if the Town will let their swine run at large this year

4thly to grant money for our highways and Bridges for the year Insuing and agree how the same shall be worked out

5thly for the Town to Vote for a County Register for our County of Worcester as the Law Directs



6thly for the Town to act Relative to the Deed and agreement that was made the 8th Day of September A D 1767 by Edward Davis Esq^r late of Oxford Deceased and the Selectmen of Dudley Concerning the four acres of land that our meeting House stands upon and to Confirm said Deed and agreement to be the Bounds of said four acres of Land or to Disalow and Disanul the said Deed and agreement as the Town shall think best.

7thly for the Town to accept the Road across the East End of m^r Gleasons Land where it is now trod in lue of the road where it was laid out and add the old road to our Buring place

8thly for the Town to hear and act upon any petition or petitions that shall be laid before them as they see fitt

hereof fail not and make Due Return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before the said Day: Dated at Dudley afore said the Nineteenth Day of February Anno Domini 1785

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Worcester SS Dudley march 7th 1785 In obedience to the within written Warrant I have Warned the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentjoned by seting up this warrant at the usual place

p^r John Chamberlain Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Duly Warned and legally assembled at our meeting House in Dudley on monday the 7th Day of march Anno Domini 1785

first Voted and Chose m^r Jonathan Bacon moderator for said meeting

2ndly Voted to have five Selectmen this year

3rdly Voted Edward Davis first Selectman

- 4thly Voted major Healy second Selectman
5thly Voted m^r Jonathan Bacon third Selectman
6thly Voted Cornet Day four Selectman
7thly Voted Leiut Curtis fifth Selectman
8thly Voted Edward Davis Town Clerk
9thly Leiut Curtis Town Treasurer
10thly Voted to have five Assessors this year
11thly Voted Edward Davis first Assessor
12thly Voted m^r Jonathan Bacon second Assessor
13thly Voted major Healy third Assessor
14thly Voted Capt Chamberlain fourth Assessor
15thly Voted Leiut Foster Jun^r fifth Assessor
16thly Voted Leiut Eleazer putney west End Constable
17thly Voted Benjamin Edmunds East End Constable
18thly Voted Ensign Amidon & Jedidiah Corbin Wardens
19thly Voted John Vorce & Ephraim Corbin fence viewers
20thly Voted Josiah Hovey Culler of Shingles Clapboards
& hoops &c
21stly Voted major Healy Sealer of weights & measurs
22ndly Voted John Vorce Sealer of Leather
23rdly Voted mark Dodge & Leiut Keith Tything men
24thly Voted John Warren John Chamberlain Timothy
Corbin Solomon Wakefield John Bracket Capt Healy
Elisha Sabin & Cap^t Corbin Surveyors of highways &c
25thly Voted that the Surveyors of highways shall be the
Collectors of the highway Rates
26thly Voted to let our swine run at large this year
27thly Voted Jabez Vinton Silas Hayden Simeon Upham
and Thomas Larned hogg reaves
28thly Voted sixty pounds for the Cost of our highways and
Bridges this year
29thly Voted that the same shall be worked out at three
shillings per Day from the first of may to the first of october
next
30thly Voted for a County Rigestter for the County of Wor-
cester as follows viz :
for Daniel Clap Esq^r 35 Votes

and for Timothy Pain Esq^r 2 Votes

31^{thly} Voted to confirm the Deed and agreement that was made the 8th Day of September A D 1767 by Edward Davis Esq^r late of Oxford Deceased and the Selectmen of the Town of Dudley Relative to the Bounds and title of the four acres of Land our meeting House stands upon and to make it valid in Law to all intents and purposes

32^{ndly} Voted to accept of the Road where it is now trod by m^r Charles Gleasons Wall across the East End of his land in lue of the Road on the ridge a little east that was accepted by the Town in march 6th 1775 and ad said road to the Bur-
ing place

33^{rdly} Voted to Reconsider the vote that past march 2nd 1772 for to alter the Road from the Bridge Near m^r Nathan Innans to m^r Samuel mayns and to Establish the Road where
* it is now trod

34^{thly} Voted to abate Ebenezer Hebbberds Rates in Consta-
ble David Wakefield hands to collect being 19 / 9-1

35^{thly} Voted to abate what is Due of m^r Alex^r Thompsons taxes in Constable Dodges hands to Collect

36^{thly} to Direct Constable Warren to suspend Commetting m^r Daniel Newell till after may meeting next on the same foot-
ing as was voted the last meeting

37^{thly} Voted to adjorn this meeting to monday 21st Day of march Instant at three of the Clock in the after noon met according to adjornment and voted to have m^r Eleazer putneys serving as Constable goe for a turn for his son Eleazer

The Several Officers are Sworn

Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town
of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby Required forthwith to warne the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Quallified to vote for a governor &c agreeable to the Constitution to meet at our meeting House in said Town



on monday fourth Day of April next at one of the Clock in the after noon then and there to act upon the following articles viz

first to vote for a governor for said Commonwealth

2ndly to vote for a Leiutanant governor Do

3rdly to vote of Councillors and Senators for the County of Worcester

4thly to Chuse a moderator for the Remainder of said meeting

5thly to act Relative to m^r Jacob Warren and others being set off as a separate school ward as the Town thinks best

6thly to see if the Town will purchis that Land North and west of m^r Borlands farm in Dudley that was this Day sold for taxes & bid off by Edward Davis vomoeto W^m Coburns House ontoo being about 18 acres

7thly for the Town to Chuse a Committee to settle with the Rev^d m^r Gleason Relative to his back sallerys &c

8thly for the Town to hear and act upon any petition or petitions that shall be laid before them as they see fit

here of fail not and make Due Return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before the said Day; Dated at Dudley aforesaid the 21st Day of march Anno Domini 1785

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Worcester SS April 4th 1785 In obedience to this warrant I have warned and Notified the Inhabetants of the Town of Dudley to meet at the time & place within mentioned by seting up a warrant at the meeting House in said Town as usual

p^r Benjamin Edmunds Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the aforesaid Inhabetants of the Town of Dudley Regularly Assembled at our meeting House in Dudley on Monday the fourth Day of April Anno Domini 1785

first The Inhabitants brought in there votes for a Governor as follows (viz)

for the Hon^{bl} Nathaniel Gorham Esq 38 Votes

2ndly for a Leiutenant Governor His Hon Thomas Cushing Esq 30 Votes

3rdly for Councillors and Senators as follows viz

for the Hon^{ble} Moses Gill Esq 25 Votes

Do Seth Washburn Esq 25 Votes

Do Jonathan Warner Esq 25 Votes

John Fesenden Esq 25 Votes

Ebenezer Larned Esq 23 Votes

& Caleb Amidown Esq 2 Votes

4thly Voted m^r Jonathan Bacon moderator for the Remainder of said meeting

5thly Voted not to set off m^r Jacob Warren as a separate school ward

6thly Voted to purchis that Land that was bid off by Edward Davis North and west of mr Borlands farm in Dudley to moove W^m Coburn Houst ontoo and to have the Deed given from the Constable to the Town Treasurer in the Name and behalf of the Town Said land being about 20 acres

7thly Voted to Chuse a Committee of three to settle with the Rev^d mr Gleason Relative to his back salerys & report to the Town as soon as convenant may be

8thly Voted Edward Davis John Curtis Jun^r and Nathaniel Healy said Committee

9thly Voted to abate Thomas Dodges soldier Rates being £1:3:3:1

To the Selectmen of the Town of Dudley The Com-
plainte of Susannah Sprage of said Dudley humbly Showeth
that whereas I am under Difficult and Low circomstances &
not capable of providing for myself Therefore I humbly
pray that you would take suitable care of me and provide a

place for me and in so Doing .you will oblige your humble
complainant

her
Susannah X Sprage
mark

Dudley April 29th 1785
Amasa Winter

A True copy attest Edward Davis Town Clerk

Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town
of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you
are hereby Directed in Due course of Law to warn the Free-
holders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualli-
fied according to the Constitution to vote for a Representative
to meet at our meeting house in said Dudley on Monday the
second Day of may next at one of the clock in the after
noon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)



first to Elect a person to Represent us in the General Court
appointed to be convened and held for the Government service
at the State House in Boston on the last Wednesday of May
aforesaid and so from session to session for one year

2^{ndly} to Chuse a moderator for the Remainder of said
meeting

3^{rdly} for the Constables for the years 1781 1782 & 1783 to
lay an account before the Town of all the Taxes that they can-
not collect in order that they may act thereon as they think best

4^{thly} to hear the Report of the Committee that was Chosen
to settle with the Reverend m^r Gleason Relative to his back
sallaries and to grant money to pay what is Due to him

5^{thly} to grant money for Necessary Charges in said Town
and to make up the Deficiency of other grants heretofore made

6^{thly} to hear and act upon any petition or petitions that
shall be laid before the Town as they see fitt

hereof fail not and make Due Return of this Warrant with

Dudley Town Records, 1785.

your Doings thereon at or before the said Day Dated at
 Dudley aforesaid the fifteenth Day of April Anno Domini 1785

Edward Davis	} Selectmen of Dudley
Nathaniel Healy	
Jonathan Bacon	
Jonathan Day	
John Curtis Jun ^r	

Worcester SS may y^e 2nd 1785

In obedience to this Warrant I have warned the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley by setting up this Warrant at the usual place to meet according to the time and place within mentioned as the Law Directs

Benjamin Edmunds Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our Meeting House in said Town on Monday the 2nd Day of may Anno Domini 1785

first Voted to send a Representative this year

2ndly Voted m^r Jonathan Day for our Representative this year

3rdly Voted m^r Jonathan Bacon Moderator for the Remainder of s^d meeting

4thly Voted to abate Enoch Eagleston and Stephen Spaldings taxes in Constable Robinsons Rate Lists they being £3-0-2-3

5thly Voted to postpone the matter of m^r Daniel Newells Rates til the first of october next and he to Remain m^r Warrens prisnor till that time

6thly Voted to abate Daniel Waldos Rates in Constable Warrens Rate List they being paid to mr Warren £1-1-0-2 paid

7thly Voted to suspend calling upon Constable Wakefeild for mr Jonathan groo:s Rates till the first of October next they being £1-16-6-1

8thly Voted to abate Phinehas Allens soldier Rates in Constables Dodge & Corbins Lists they being 1-8-2-1

9thly Voted to abate Adam Whites Rates in Constable Chamberlains Rate Lists they being 3-1-7-1 paid

10thly Voted to see m^r Daniel Willcocks forthcoming to Constables Willard and Chamberlain the first Day of October next

11thly Voted to see Eleazor May forthcoming to Constables Wakefield and Chamberlain the first Day of October next

then adjourned the meeting to monday the 23rd Day of this Instant may at one of the clock in the after noon

met agreeable to adjournment and then the Report of the Committee being red which is as follows (viz)

Dudley April 26th 1785 The Committee appointed by the Town to settle with the Rev^d m^r Gleason Relative to his back salaries beg lieve to Report a state of facts (viz) that it appears to them that there is Due to m^r Gleason agreeable to the Law for the year 1780 £25-13-7 and 50 months Interest £6-8-6 making in the whole £32-2-1 and that he is much kept out of the four last years salerys and that it further appears that he has lost by the Depretiation of money that he is cut off by Law as follows (viz) in the year 1777 £45-0-0 in the year 1778 £33-19-8 and in the year 1779 £26-13-4 making in the whole £105-13-0 all which is humbly submitted to the Town

Edward Davis }
Nathaniel Healy } Committee
John Curtis Jun^r }

then the Town first voted a Committee of three to wait upon the Reven^d m^r Gleason

2ndly Voted m^r Upham m^r Day and m^r Lem Corbin said Committee

3rdly Voted to grant and Raise Eighty Seven pounds to make up in full of all arrears of the Reve^d m^r Gleasons salery and wood up to the first Day of march 1781

4thly Voted £100 for other Necessary Charges in the Town the year Ensuing &c

then Cap^t John Eddy made his to Declaration agreeable to the vote of the Town Relatiye to minister to Rates and gave

his Right of a pew in the meeting House to the Town building & all

Worcester SS To Either of the Constable of the Town of Dudley in the said County of Worcester Greeting

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby Required forthwith to warne the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting House in said Town on wednesday the fourteenth Day of September next at one of y^e Clock in the after noon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

first to Chuse a moderator for said meeting

2ndly for the Town to Reconsider that vote of the Town which was pased the Twenty third Day of May last past granting the sum of Eighty seven pounds to make up in full of all arrears of the Rev^d m^r Gleasons salary and Wood up to the first Day of march 1781 or act thereon as the Town thinks best

3rdly for the Town to grant such a sum of money as is Due agreeable to the Law unto the said m^r Gleason to the first Day of march 1781 and the Interest therefor untill paid (if they see fitt

4thly for the Town to grant money for schooling y^e year Insuing

5thly to Chuse School Committees for y^e Insuing year

6thly for the Town to hear and act upon any petition or petitions that shall be laid before them as they see fitt

hereof fail not and make Due Return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before the said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid the Thirtieth Day of August in the year of our Lord one Thousand seven hundred and Eighty five

By order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk



Worcester SS September the 14th 1785 In obedience to this Warrant I have warned the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley by setting up this Warrant at the meeting House as usual: to meet at the time and place within mentioned as the Law Directs

p^r Benjamin Edmunds Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly Assembled at our meeting House in said Town on Wednesday y^e fourteenth Day of September Anno Domini 1785 first Voted and Chose Edward Davis moderator for said meeting

2ndly Voted and Reconsidered that vote of the Town which was pased the Twenty third Day of May last past granting unto the Reven^d m^r Gleason Eighty seven pounds to make up in full of all arrears of his salary and Wood up to the first Day of march 1781 that sum not being Due to him agreeable to the Law—36 yeas & 17 Nays

3rdly Voted & grant^d to the Rev^d m^r Gleason Thirty four pounds being the sum that was Due to him on the said first Day of march 1781 for arrears of salary &c agreeable to the Law and the Interest therefor to May next

4thly Voted £60 for schooling the year Insuing

5thly Voted Stephen Coman Leuit Warran Joseph Sabin John Bracket Joseph Allen Jedidiah Corbin and Cap^t Eddy School Committee for the Insuing year

6thly on the petition of Stephen Coman & others voted that all those persons that have no open Road to their own lands shall have one half of their Highway Rates abated this year

Dudley November 25th 1785 To the Selectmen of the Town of Dudley Sirs inasmuch as my Husband pinchas

Allen has gone off and left me the subscriber with eight children in a suffering condition having Nothing to subsist upon therefore I must through my self and family upon the marcy of the said Town of Dudley and pray for support for my self and family agreeable to the Law in that case made and provided

Mary Allen

true copy attest E. Davis Town Clerk



Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby Required forthwith to Warn the freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Quallified to Vote for a Representative to meet at our meeting House in said Dudley on Tuesday the tenth Day of January next at one of the Clock in the after noon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

first to Chuse a moderator for said meeting

2ndly for the Town to act Relative to a Bill that passed the House of Representatives in their last session Relating to the Refugees that was Negatived by the Senate and put over to the next setting of the General Court ; as they think best

3rdly for the Town to Instruct their Representatives in any matters and things as they see fitt

4thly for the Town to hear and act upon any petition or petitions that shall be laid before them as they see fitt

hereof fail not and make Due Return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before the said Day : Dated at Dudley aforesaid the Twenty ninth Day of December in the year of our Lord 1785

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Worcester SS January the 10th 1786 In Obediance to this Warrant I Warned all the freeholder and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley by setting up a Warrant at the meet-

ing House in said Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned as the Law Directs

p^r Benjamin Edmunds Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly Assembled at our meeting House in said Dudley on Tuesday the 10th Day of January 1786

first Voted and Chose m^r Jonathan Bacon moderator for s^d meeting

2ndly the Town voted that they are much Dissatisfied with the proceedings of the House of Representatives at their last sessions in passing a Bill giving Liberty to the Refugees of every Discription to Return in to this Commonwealth

3rdly Voted to Remonstrate to the General Court against said Bill

4thly Voted to Draft offered to the Town to be said Remonstrance

5thly Voted to grant Lt mark Dodges petition to give to him that half of y^e pew Capt Eddy gave to the Town he paing the Town the Cost of Building said half of said pew

6thly Voted not to grant Sam^l Newell & David Wakefields petitions

Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are Required to Warne the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley quallified to Vote in Town affairs and those quallified to Vote for a Register of Deeds to meet at our meeting House in said Dudley on monday the sixth Day of march next at Nine of the Clock in the fore noon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

first to Chuse a moderator for said meeting



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2ndly to Chuse Town Officers for the Insuing year as the Law Directs

3rdly to see if the Town will let their swine run at Large this year

4thly to Vote for a Register of Deeds for said County of Worcester

5thly to act Relative to Jesse Jewells account as they see fitt

6thly to see if the Town will Build or hire a Work House to imploy our Idle and poor people at work &c

7thly to grant money for our Highways and Bridges this year and to agree how the same shall be worked out

8thly for the Town to hear and act upon any petition or petitions that shall be laid before the Town as they see fitt

hereof fail not and make Due Return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before the said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid the sixteenth Day of Febry Anno Domini 1786

By order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Worcester SS march the 6th 1786 In obedience to this Warrant I have Warned the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley quallified as within mentioned to meet at time and place as Directed by setting up a Warrant at the meeting House in said Town as usual

p^r Benjamin Edmunds Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting House in said Town on monday the 6th Day of march Anno Domini 1786

first Voted and Chose m^r Jonathan Bacon moderator for said meeting

2ndly Voted to have five selectmen this year

3rdly Voted Edward Davis Esq first Selectman

4thly Voted m^r Jonathan Bacon second Selectman

- 5thly Voted Capt Chamberlain third Selectman
6thly Voted Lt John Warren fourth Selectman
7thly Voted Cap^t Eddy fifth Selectman
8thly Voted Esq^r Davis Town Clerk
9thly Voted Leiut Curtis Town Treasurer
10thly Voted to have five Assessors this year
11thly Voted Esq Davis first Assessor
12thly Voted Lieut Willard second Assessor
13thly Voted Leiut Foster Jun^r third Assessor
14thly Voted m^r John Chamberlain fourth Assessor
15thly Voted Leiut Keith fifth Assessor
16thly Voted major Nathaniel Healy West End Constable
17thly Voted m^r William Larned Jun^r East End Constable
18thly Voted to accept Stephen Healy to serve Constable in his father Room and his Father promised to be sponsur for his son
19thly Voted Lt Warren & m^r Ephraim Corbin Wardians
20thly Voted John gore Benjamin Lee Lt Elwell & Thos Cheney fence Vewors
21stly Voted Josiah Hovey Culler of Shingles Clapboards & hoops &c
22ndly Voted major Healy sealer of Weights and measurs
23rdly Voted John Healy sealer of Leather
24thly Voted Asa Curtis and John Healy Tything men
25thly Voted Ephraim Corbin Eleazer Putney Jun^r Simon Shepard William Foster Joseph Vinton Jun^r Cap^t Healy & Daniel Mansfield Surveyors of highways & Collectors of that Rate
26thly Voted that the Surveyors of Highways shall be Collectors of the Highway Rates
27thly Voted to let our swine run at Large this year
28thly Voted Asa Newell Nathan Waldron Ebenezer Fitts Jun^r & Stephen Haskell Hogg Rieves
29thly Voted sixty pounds for the Cost of our Highways & Bridges this year
30thly Voted that the same shall be worked out at three shillings per Day at or before the first Day of october next

31stly Voted that the Selectmen be impower to hire a House or Houses to be impoveed as work Houses to imploy our Idle and poor people at work and appoint overseer or overseers &c

32ndly Votes for a Register of Deed for the County of Worcester was 52 and all for Daniel Clap Esq^r

33rdly Voted not to allow Jesse Jewells account at present

34thly Voted to allow Dr Eaton £7-9-5 of his account against m^r Thompson & Family in full to Ballance the account

35thly Voted to Instruct Cornet Jonathan Day not to goe any more to the General Court upon the Towns Cost

36thly Voted to grant Esq^r Fenner 12 / for going to Sutton on the convention February 1783

37thly Voted Dito to m^r Jonathan Bacon 12 /

38thly Voted to abate all the Rates but Jacksons amounts to 3-9-1 in Keiths Collection &c

39thly Voted to adjorn this meeting to monday the 3rd Day of April next at two of the Clock in the after noon at this place and it is adjorned according

met agreeable to adjornment and

voted to accept Timothy Corbin to serve Constable in the Roome of m^r William Larned Jun^r

2ndly Voted to see Henry Brown forthcoming to Constable Corbin this Day 7 month

3rdly Voted Do Joshua Robbins Do Constable Dodge Do

Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley

In the Name of the Commonwealth of the Massachusetts you are Required to warne all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Quallified to Vote for a Governor Leiut Governor Councillors & Senators to meet at our meeting House on Monday the third Day of April next at one o Clock in the after noon then and there to act upon the following articals viz



to vote for a Governor Leuit Governor Councillors & Senators for the year Insuing

Hereof fail not and make Due Return of this Warrant at or before the said third Day of April next given under our hands and seal this Twenty first Day of march in the year of our Lord 1786

Jonathan Bacon	} Selectmen of Dudley
Jacob Chamberlain	
John Warren	
John Eddy	

Worcester SS April the 3rd 1786 In obedience to this Warrant I have Warned all the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley by sitting this Warrant up at our meeting House to meet at time and place within mention^d

Benjamin Edmunds Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting House in Dudley on Monday the third Day of April AD 1786

- first Voted for a Governor as follows viz
 - for his Excellency James Bowdoin Esq 53 votes
- 2ndly Voted for a Leuit Governor as Do
 - for his Honour Thomas Cushing Esq 47 votes
- 3rdly Voted for Councillors & Senators as Do
 - for the Hon. moses gill Esq^r 32 votes
 - Do Samuel Baker Do 32 Do
 - Do Seth Washburn Do 32 Do
 - for John Fessenden Do 32 Do
 - Do Samuel Curtis Do 31 Do
 - Do Eben^r Crafts Do 1 Do

Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in the s^d County of Worcester Greeting



Dudley Town Records, 1786.

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby Directed forthwith to warne the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the said Town of Dudley. quallified agreeable to the Constitution to Vote for a Representative To meet at our meeting House in said Town on monday the 8th Day of may next at one of the Clock in the after noon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

first to Elect a person to Represent us at the general Court appointed to be convened and held at the State House in Boston on the last Wednesday of said May next and so from session to session the Insuing year

2^{ndly} to Choose a moderator for the Remainder of said meeting

3^{rdly} to Vote for a County Treasurer for our County of Worcester

4^{thly} to act Relative to a Note of hand Lt Tim^o Foster Jun^r gave to Enoch Egleston as the Town thinks best

5^{thly} for the Town to act upon any petition or petitions that shall be laid before them as they see fit

6^{thly} for the Town to grant money for Necessary Charges this year

hereof fail not and make Due Return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon at or before the said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this 24th Day of April in the year of our Lord 1786

Edward Davis	} Selectmen of Dudley
Jonathan Bacon	
John Warren	
John Eddy.	

Worcester SS may 8th 1786 in obedience to this Warrant I have warned the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley quallified agreeable to the Constitution to Vote Representative to meet at time and place within mentioned by setting up this Warrant at the usual place

Timothy Corbin Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting Hous in said Town on Monday the 8th Day of may Anno Domini 1786
 first Voted not to Chuse a Representative this year
 2ndly Voted m^r Jonathan Bacon moderator for the Remainder of s^d meeting
 3rdly Voted for a County Treasurer as follows viz for m^r Nathan perrey 32 votes
 4thly Voted £80 for the Necessary Charges in said Town this year
 5thly Voted to abate m^r Jonathan groos Rates in Constable Asa Robinsons hands to Collect



Dudley April 12th 1786 Then met according to appointment at the southwest corner of Dudley which is the southeast corner of Sturbridge and preambulated and Renued the Bounds to the Northeast corner of Woodstock then southerly to the south west corner of Dudley which is the Northwest corner of Thompson

by us W^m may }
 Willard Child }

by order of the Selectmen of Woodstock
 Jacob Chamberlain Selectman of Dudley



Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are are hereby Requested forthwith to warne the Frecholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley quallefied to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting House in said Dudley on Tueslay the 15th Day of June Instant at two of the Clock in the after noon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)



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first to Chuse a moderator for said meeting

2^{ndly} to see if the Town will agree to petition to the General Court to Instruct their Dalagates at Congress to moove for a Contenental Currency to be immediately made and Emitted for the Release of the Distresses of y^e people

3^{rdly} to see if the Town will order and Direct the selectmen or some other person or persons in the Name of the Town to Commence an action against Jedidiah Marcy Esq for his giving up a certain Note of hand lodged in his hands for the security of the Town: given to Susannah Sprage late of Dudley Deceased

4^{thly} for the Town to hear and act upon any petition or petitions that shall be laid before the Town as they see fitt

hereof fail not and make Duc Return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before the said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid the 6th Day of June in the year of our Lord 1786

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Worcester SS Dudley June 15th 1786

In obedience to this Warrant I have warned warned the Inhabetants of the Town of Dudley quallified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at time and place within mentioned by seting up this Warrant at the usual place

Timothy Corbin Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting-House in said Town on Thursday the 15th Day of June Anno Domini 1786

first Voted and Chose Cornet Day moderator for said meeting

2^{ndly} Voted not to act upon the second artical in the Warrant

3^{rdly} Voted to have an action Commenced against Jedidiah Marcy Esq for giving up a Note of hand he had in Keeping

against John Albee and James Arnold given to Susannah Sprage late of Dudley Deceased

4^{thly} Voted Capt Lemuel Corbin and m^r Jonathan Bacon a Committee to prosecute said action against said Esq Marcy

Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby Required forthwith to warn the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley to meet at our meeting House in said Dudley on Fryday the 23rd Day of June Instant at three of the Clock in the after noon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

- first to Chuse a moderator for said meeting
- 2^{ndly} to see if the Town will Chuse a person or persons to meet in a County Convention proposed to be held at Leicester on monday next at nine of the Clock in the fore noon
- 3^{rdly} for the Town to Instruct such person or persons (if any be Choses) as they think best

hereof fail not and make Due Return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon at or before the said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid the 20th Day of June Anno Domini 1786

Edward Davis Jonathan Bacon Jacob Chamberlain John Warren & John Eddy Selectmen of Dudley

Worcester SS June 23rd 1786 By Virtue of this Warrant I have warned the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned by seting this Warrant up at the usual place

p^r me Timothy Corbin Constable of Dudley



1786

At a meeting of the Frecholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley assembled in Town meeting June 23rd 1786

first Voted Cornet Day moderator for sd meeting

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2ndly Voted to send one person to meet in the proposed County Convention to meet monday next 9 oClock fore noon at m^r george Bruce^{es} Innholder in Leicester

3rdly Voted m^r Elisha Corbin said person to Represent us in said Convention

& then adjorned the meeting to friday next at 5 oClock in the afternoon

met agreeable to adjornment and adjorned to Friday the Eleventh Day of August next 1 oClock after noon

met agreeable to adjornment and adjorned to Capt Clarks

& then Resolved into a Committee of the whole Town to Discuss the matters of greavences and to Instruct our Deligate in Convention and after Debating many matters and agreeing upon them Desolved



Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in the said County of Worcester Greeting

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby Required forthwith to warne the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley to meet at our meeting House in said Town on monday the Twenty fifth Day of September Instant at one oClock in the after noon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

first to Chuse a moderator for said meeting

2ndly to Chuse another person as a Deligate to Represent us in the County Convention if the Town sees fitt

3rdly for the Town to Instruct our Deligate or Deligates as the Town thinks best

Hereof fail not and make Due Return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon at or before the said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid the 22nd Day of September Anno Domini 1786 by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Worcester SS September 25th 1786 in Obediance to this Warrant I have Warned the freeholders and other Inhabitants

of the Town of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned by setting up this Warrant at the usual place

Timothy Corbin Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabetants of the Town of Dudley Assembled in Town meeting the 25th Day of Septem^r Anno Domini 1786

first Voted Cap^t Day moderator for said meeting

2^{ndly} Voted to Chuse a person as a Deligate in addition to m^r Elisha Corbin to Represent us in County Convention

3^{rdly} Voted Capt Jacob Chamberlain said Deligate

4^{thly} Voted to Choose a Committee of three to Instruct our Deligates

5^{thly} Voted m^r Jonathan Bacon Lt John Warren & m^r John Chamberlain s^d Com^{tt}

6^{thly} Voted to adjorn to Cap^t Clarks West Room

7^{thly} Voted to take up the Report of said Committee by parrigrfts

8^{thly} Voted to accept said Report as amended

Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting



In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are Directed forthwith to warne the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Quallified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our meeting House in said Town on Monday the thirtieth Day of October Instant at one of the Clock in the after noon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

first to Choose a moderator for said meeting

2^{ndly} for the Town to grant money for schooling in our Town the year insuing

3^{rdly} to Choose a School Committee as usual if the Town sees fitt

Dudley Town Records, 1786.

4^{thly} for the Town to hear and act upon any petition or petitions that shall be laid before them as they think best

hereof fail not and make Due Return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before the said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid the 14th Day of October Anno Domini 1786

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Worcester SS Dudley October 30th 1786 In Obedience to this Warrant I have Warned the freeholders and other Inhabitants to meet at time and place within mentioned by setting up this Warrant at the usual place

Timo Corbin Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly Assembled at our meeting House in said Town on Monday the 30th Day of October Anno Domini 1786

first Voted and Chose m^r Jonathan Bacon moderator for sd meeting

2^{ndly} Voted 60 pounds for schooling the year Insuing

3^{rdly} Voted Leicut. Curtis major Healy Thomas Cheney Daniel Mansfield Ens Larned m^r Jonathan Bacon and m^r John Bracket as Schoole Committees for the year Insuing

4^{thly} Voted to grant m^r Isaac Lees petition to have the half of the pew spot that was granted to Ralph Vinton

5^{thly} Reconsidered said vote and the matter to lay for the present

6^{thly} Voted not to grant a horse to m^r William Coburn

7^{thly} Voted not to grant m^r Benjamin Kidders petition to have his poll tax for 1784 1785 & 1786 abated

8^{thly} Voted to allow Edward Davis^{es} account of £8-9-11 for keeping m^r Alex^r Thompson Cow and rent for the gardin that he improves &c

To the Selectmen of the Town of Dudley humbly sheweth that whereas I the subscriber and family are liable to be turned out of Dowers in a few Days and am under such Circumstances of Life that it is not in my power to procure any place to moove to or support my self and famely without assestance; therefor I pray for that assestance that is in the Law in that case made and provided as in Duty bound shall ever pray

Dudley November 23rd 1786

J. Harris

Attest Stephen Coman }
Ezekiel Brown }

a true copy of the complaining or petition

Attest Edward Davis Town Clerk

Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting



In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby Required forthwith to warn the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Quallified agreeable to the Constitution to act in Town meetings To meet at our meeting House in said Town on Friday the Nineteenth Day of this Instant January at Nine oClock in the morning to act upon the following articals (viz)

first to Chuse a moderator for said meeting

2ndly To instruct our Deligates of the County Convention about a revesion of our Constitution as the Town thinks best &c

3rdly for the people to hear the Address of the General Court to them if they see cause

4thly for the Town to Divise ways and means to procure a Town stock of powder &c

5thly to see if the Town will abate Josiah Harris Esq^r Rates in Constables Willards and Healys hands to Collect

6thly to see if the Town will grant unto m^r Isaac Lee that half of a pew in our meeting house that was Ralph Vintons his paying the first cost of Building the same

Dudley Town Records, 1787.

Hereof fail not and make Due Return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before the said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid the fourth Day of January Anno Domini 1787

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Worcester SS January 19th 1787 in obedience to this Warrant I have Warned and Notified the within Named Inhabitants to meet at time and place within mentioned by setting up this warrant at the meeting house as usual.

p^r Stephen Healy Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly Assembled at our meeting house on Friday the 19th Day of January A D 1787

first Voted and Chose Capt. Day moderator for said meeting

2ndly Voted to have the Constitution amended in some articals 53 yeas 16 nays

3rdly Voted not to attend the Reading the address of the General Court at this time.

4thly Voted to pass the fourth artical Calling upon the Constables to furnish the Selectmen with money to purchis the Town stock

5thly Voted to abate Josiah Harris Esq Rates in Constables Willards and Healys hands to Collect

6thly Voted to pass the sixth artical

Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in said County of Worcester Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to Warn or Notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the said Town of Dudley Quallified to Vote in



Town affairs to meet at our Meeting House in said Dudley on Monday the fifth day of March next at ten of the Clock in the forenoon then and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

first to Chuse a moderator for said meeting

2ndly to Chuse Town officer for the year Insuing as the Law Directs

3rdly to see if the Town will let their swine run at large this year

4thly to Chuse a Grave Diger and a person to take cair of our meeting House

5thly to grant money for our Highways and Bridges this year and agree how the same shall be expended

6thly for the Town to accept of the Road laid out by the Selectmen for m^r Lot Marsh from his Land to the County Road

7thly to vote for a County Treasurer

8thly to Chuse a pound keeper

9thly for the Town to act Relative to them Notes that was given unto Jeremiah Shumway as they see fitt

and make Due Return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before the said day

Dated at Dudley aforesaid the 19th Day of February A D 1787

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Worcester SS March 5th 1787 In obedience to this Warrant I have Warned the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Quallified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at time and place within mentioned by setting up this Warrant at the usual place

Timothy Corbin Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly Assembled at our meeting House in said Town on monday the fifth Day of march A D 1787

- first Voted and Chose major Healy moderator for said meeting
- 1787 2ndly Voted Edward Davis Town Clerk who is sworn
- 3rdly Voted to have 5 Selectmen this year
- 4thly Voted Edward Davis first Selectman
- 5thly Voted m^r Jonathan Bacon second do
- 6thly Voted Major Healy Third Do
- 7thly Voted Capt Corbin fourth Do
- 8thly Ens Larned fifth Do
- 9thly Voted Leiut Curtis Town Treasurer
- 10thly Voted to have 3 Assessors this year
- 11thly Voted Edward Davis first Assessor who is sworn
- 12thly Voted Cap^t John Eddy second Do who is sworn
- 13thly Voted Leiut Tim^o Foster Jun^r third Do who is sworn
- 14thly Voted Cap^t Sam^l Healy West End Constable who is sworn
- 15thly Voted Ephraim Corbin East End Constable who is sworn
- 16thly Voted Thomas Larned & John Lawton Wardians.
- 17thly Voted Josiah Hovey & William Foster Tithing men
- 18thly Voted Ebenezer White and m^r Joseph Healy fence Viewers
- 19thly Voted Major Healy Sealer of weghts and measurs
- 20thly Voted John Healy Sealer of Leather
- 21stly Voted Josiah Hovey Culler of Lumber &c who is sworn.
- 22ndly Voted Leiut Keith Daniel Arnold Capt Clark John Lawton Eliakim Robinson William Vinton Ens Amidon & Ebenezer White Surveyers of Highways and Collectors of the Highway Rate
- 23rdly Voted that the Surveyers of Highways shall be Collectors of the Highway Rates
- 24thly Voted to let our swine run at large this year
- 25thly Voted Samuel Davis & Benjamin Morriss Jun^r Hog Reives

26^{thly} Voted Leiut Elwell to take the cair of our meeting House

27^{thly} Voted Ezbon Carter to be pound Keeper

28^{thly} Voted Ezbon Carter to be Grave Diger

29^{thly} Voted 40 pounds for the Cost of our Highways and Bridges the year Insuing

30^{thly} Voted that the same shall be worked out at three shillings per Day on or before the first Day of October next

31^{stly} Voted for a county Treasurer as follows for m^r Nathan perry 25 Votes

32^{ndly} Voted to accept of the Road laid out by the Selectmen for Lot Marsh from his Land across the Healys wood lot to the county Road

33^{rdly} Voted that the Selectmen Call upon the Constables immediately to Collect in money or stock what is Due on the Notes given unto Jeremiah Shumwas now in the hands of m^r Robbins of Boston

34^{thly} Voted to let Capt Sam^l Healys serving Constable be for a turn for his son Moses.

The before Named officers have taken the Oaths of office and those required by Law have taken and subscribed the oath of allegiance to this commonwealth contained in the constitution

Dudley November 13th 1786 then we the Subscribers laid out a Road for Mr Lot Marsh as follows (viz) begining at said Marsh^{es} south Line at a small wallnout or black oak stadle near said Line being marked and then it Runs near southwest on Land of Joseph and Nathaniel Healys till it comes to the East Line of Mr Joseph Uphams Land to a stake and stones then southerly by said m^r Uphams east line till it comes to the County Road the whole of the Road to be on the said Healys land and the Road two Rods wide easterly from the bounds aforesaid

Edward Davis }
Jonathan Bacon } Selectmen
Jacob Chamberlain } of Dudley

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the above Road was laid before the Town in March 1787
and accepted

attst Edward Davis Town Clerk

SEAL

Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town
of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you
are hereby Required forthwith to warn or Notify the free-
holder and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley quallified
agreeable to the Constitution to Vote for a Governor &c to
meet at our meeting House in Dudley on monday the second
Day of April next at one of the Clock in the after
noon then and there to act upon the following articals viz

- first to Vote for a Governer
 - 2ndly to Vote for a Leiut Governer
 - 3rdly to Vote for Counsellors and Senators (agreeable^s to
Law)
 - 4thly to Chuse a moderator for the Remainder of said
meeting
 - 5thly For the Town to Dismiss their members of the
County Convention or act thereon as they see fitt
 - 6thly for the Town to act Relative to abating of taxes that
the Constable cannot collect as they think best
 - 7thly For the Town to hear and act upon any petition or
petitions that shall be laid before them as they see fitt
- hereof fail not and make Due Return of this warrant with
your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before the said
Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this 19th Day of March
Anno Domini 1787

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Worcester SS In obedience to the within Warrant I
have warned the freeholders and other Inhabitants in the

Town of Dudley qualified to Vote by setting this warrant up at our meeting House as usual by me

Samuel Healy Constable

Dudley April 2nd 1787

At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabetants of the Town of Dudley (quallified to Vote for a Governor &c) (Duly warned) at our meeting House in said Dudley on Monday the second Day of March in the year of our Lord 1787

first Voted for a Governer as follows

for his Excelency James Bowdion Esqr 3 votes

Do John Hancock Do 60 Do

for the Hon Benjamin Lincoln Do 2 Do

2ndly Voted for a Leiut Governor as follows

for His Hon^r Thomas Cushing Esq 49 votes

for the Hon Benjamin Lincoln Do 13 Do

3rdly Voted for Counsellors & Senators as follows

for the Hon Moses Gill Esq 4 votes

Do Samuel Baker Do 1 vote

Do Seth Washburn Do 9 votes

Do Abel Wilder Do 51 Do

Amos Singletary Do 45 Do

Jonathan Groute Do 45 Do

Joseph Read Do 05 Do

Mr Joseph Stone 45 Do

Do Ebenezer Davis 03 Do

Cap^t Stephen Maynard 53 Do

Do Bezaliel Taft 5 Do

Do John Tyler 3 Do

4thly Voted Mr Jonathan Day moderator for the Remainder of said meeting

6thly Voted to Dismiss all our members of County Conventions

7thly Voted to abate 30 / of James Curtis rates that Daniel Newell had given a Note for and credit Constable Chamberlain the same sum

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8^{thly} Voted to have the Town Treasurer Credit Constable Chamberlain the sum of 46: 13: 8: 2 being Due from the following persons viz

Daniel Willcoks 11: 16: 10: William Gorden 4: 9: 6
Joseph Phillips 8: 2: 3: 3 Nathan Powers 14/ 6: 2: Ed-
ward Washburn 18/6 Eleazer May 2: 2: 6; William Hobbs
30/ Isaiah Pratt 32/ 6: 1 James Curtis 3/ 9: 1 John
Jones 21 Elizabeth & Joseph Senah 41 1 1 and the said
Constable Chamberlain is to collect all ^{or} any of said Rates if
he can and to account to the Town for what he collects John
Edmunds 12: 1: 1: 2

9^{thly} Voted to have the Town Treasury Credit Constable
Dodge 14: 2: 1: 1: it being William Averel Samuel Com-
stok & Mikal Titas taxes & he to collect and account as afore
said

10^{thly} Voted to abate Jonathan Groos Rates in Dodges list
being 1: 14; 10: 1

Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town
of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you
hereby Directed forthwith to Warne the freeholders and
other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley quallified agreeable
to the Constitution to Vote for a Representative to meet at
our meeting House in said Dudley on Friday the Eighteenth
Day of may Instant at two of the Clock in the afternoon then
and there to act upon the following articals (viz)

first to Elect or Depute a person to Represent us in the
General Court appointed to be holden at the State House in
Boston on the Last Wednesday of may Instant &c

2^{ndly} To Chuse a moderator for the Remainder of said
meeting if needed & to hear and act upon any petition or
petitions that shall be laid before the Town as they think
best

hereof fail not and make Due return of this Warrant with
your Doings thereon at or before the said Day


 A decorative seal with the word "SEAL" inside a bracketed frame.

SEAL

Dated at Dudley aforesaid the fourth Day may in the year of our Lord 1787.

Edward Davis	} Selectmen of Dudley
Jonathan Bacon	
Nathaniel Healy	
Lemuel Corbin	
Will ^m Larned Jr	

Worcester SS Dudley May 18th 1787 In obedience to the within written I have warned the freeholders and other Inhabitants of this Town to meet at our meeting House on said Day by setting up this Warrant as usual
by me Samuel Healy Constable

At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at our meeting House in Dudley aforesaid on Friday the 18th Day of May 1787
first Voted to send a Representative to the General Court this year
2ndly Voted m^r Jonathan Day said Representative no petitions being offered the meeting was Desolved without chusing a moderator being no business to Do further

mrs Corttis petition for Support

To the Selectmen of the Town of Dudley: Sirs in as much as I the Subscriber an Inhabitant of said Town am very aged and unable to support myself therefore pray for releafe as to a home and Necessaries to subsist upon as in Duty bound &c

her
Sarah X Corttis
mark

Dudley Aug 3 1787

Attest { Ephraim Bates
Nathan Jeffords



Worcester SS To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby Required forthwith to warne the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualified agreeable to Law to Vote for a Representative to meet at our meeting House in said Town on Tuesday the Eleventh Day of December next at ten of the clock in the forenoon then and there to act upon the following articals viz

first to Chuse a Delegate to Represent us in the State Convention appointed to meet at the State House in Boston on the second Wednesday of January next agreeable to a late Resolve of the General Court to take into Consideration the Constitution or frame of government proposed by the Continental Convention and act thereon as they think best

2ndly To Chuse a moderator for the remainder of said meeting

3rdly To grant money for schooling the year Insuing

4thly To Chuse Schoole Committees as usual if they see fitt

5thly To grant money for other Necessary Charges in our Town the year Insuing

hereof fail not and make Due Return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before the said Day: Dated at Dudley aforesaid the Nineteenth Day of November in the year of our Lord 1787

by order of the Selectmen

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Worcester SS December 11th 1787 In obedience to this Warrant I have warned the freeholders and other Inhabitants of this Town to meet at our meeting House on said Day according to Law by setting up this Warrant as usual

Samuel Healy Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly Assembled at our meeting House in Dudley on Tuesday Eleventh Day of December 1787

first Voted M^r Jonathan Day our Deligate to Represent us at the State Convention to meet at the State House in Boston the second Wednesday of January next to consider of the proposed federal Constitution

2ndly Voted M^r John Chamberlain moderator for the remainder of said meeting

3rdly Voted and granted sixty pounds for Schooling the year Insuing

4thly Voted Eleazer putney Jun^r M^r Elisha Corbin Lt Ezekiel Brown Dr Eaton Ebenezer White Lt James Hill & Ebenezer Edmunds School Committees

5thly Voted & granted two Hundred pounds for other Necessary in our Town the year Insuing

March 1788 Worcester SS To Either of the Constable of the Town of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby Required forthwith to warn or Notify the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley quallified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our Meeting House in Said Dudley on Monday the Third Day of March Next at Ten of the Clock in the Forenoon then and there to act upon the Following articles (Viz)



First To Chuse a Moderator for said Meeting

2^{ly} To Chuse Town officers for the Year Insuing as the Law Directs

3^{ly} To see if the Town will Let their Swine Run at Large as usual The Year Insuing

4^{ly} To grant Money for our Highways & bridges this Year and agree how the same shall be Expended

5^{ly} To See if the Town will agree to hire a Collector or Collectors of Taxes For the Year insuing they procuring good Bondsmen

6^{ly} To see if the Town will allow Lieut. Curtis Town Treasurer ten Pounds That he Cannot account for as he supposes by an order being Lost or Mislaid

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Hereof fail Not and Make Due Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before the said Day of

Dated at Dudley aforesaid the 15th Day of February in the year of our Lord 1788

By order of the Select Men

Edward Davis Town Clerk

Worcester SS Dudley March 3rd 1788

In obedience to the within Warrent I have warned the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley quallified to Vote in Town Affairs by setting up this warrent at our Meeting house as the Law Directs

by me Sam^l Healy Constable of Dudley

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly Assembled at our Meeting house on Monday the Third Day of March AD 1788

First Voted and Chose M^r Jona^t Day Moderator for Said meeting

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| 2 ^{ly} | Voted John Chamberlain Town Clerk
who is sworn | } These men
have Taken
the Oaths
Required
by Law |
| 3 ^{ly} | Voted to have 5 select Men this Year | |
| 4 ^{ly} | Voted M ^r Jona ^t Day first selectman | |
| 5 ^{ly} | Voted Lt John Warren second Select Man | |
| 6 ^{ly} | Voted Cap ^t Jacob Chamberlain Third Do | |
| 7 ^{ly} | Voted Ens. Will ^m Larned Fourth Do | |
| 8 ^{ly} | Voted M ^r Isaac Lee fifth Do | |
| 9 ^{ly} | Voted to Have 5 Assessors this Year And the Men
Chosen to Refuse the office if they Expect To be paid for
assessing the Taxes | |
| 10 ^{ly} | Voted John Fenner Esq ^r first Assessor | |
| 11 ^{ly} | Voted Ebenezar Foster Second Do | |
| 12 ^{ly} | Voted L ^t Ezekiel Brown Third Do | |
| 13 ^{ly} | Voted L ^t James Hill Fourth Do | |
| 14 ^{ly} | Voted M ^r John Bracket Fifth Do | |
| 15 ^{ly} | Voted M ^r Simeon Wood Town Treasurer | |

16^{ly} Voted to Hire a Collector this Year he giving Bonds with two good Bondsmen to save the Town harmless from his Neglect or failing to Collect & pay the Taxes according to Law

17^{ly} Voted M^r Timothy Corbin Collector and Constable he being the Lowest bidder bid it off at Twopence the pound

18^{ly} Voted to Accept Silas Hayden & Joshua Corbin as Bondsmen for Timothy Corbin Constable

19^{ly} Voted Ephraim Corbin & Thomas Cheney Wardiean

20^{ly} Voted Nath^l Healy jr & Josiah Hovey Tythen men

21^{ly} Voted L^t Moses Jewell & Will^m Foster Fence Viewers

22^{ly} Voted Maj. Nath^l Heally Sealer of Weights and Measures

23^{ly} Voted John Voce Sealer of Leather

24^{ly} Voted Josiah Hovey Culler of Lumber

25^{ly} Voted Edward Chamberlain, Jedediah Corbin, Andrew Brown Luther Chamberlain Lemuel Healy Obadiah Bates & Gideon Sabin Surveyors of the Highways

26^{ly} Voted that the Surveyors of the Highwas Shall be Collector of that Rate

27^{ly} Voted to Let our swine run at Large this Year

28^{ly} Voted John Lawton, Elijah Hayden, Ruber Stone & Joseph Davis Jr. Hogreaves

29^{ly} Voted Forty Pounds for the Cost of our Highways & Bridges this year

30^{ly} Voted that the Same Shall be worked out at 3/0 p^r Day On or before the first Day of October Next

31^{ly} Voted to Pospone Lt Curtis Request till the First Monday in April

32^{ly} Voted to Adjourn this Meeting to the first Monday in April next And it was adjourned According Meet agreeable to adjournment

1st Voted Not to allow Lieut John Curtis Request in the 6th article

All the above Officers are Sworn Except N^t Healy Ephraim Corbin & Obadiah bates Ephraim Corbin is since sworn

April 1788 Worcester SS. To the Constable of the Town of Dudley In the County of Worcester Greeting



In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; you are Hereby required forthwith to warn or Notify the freeholders and Other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Qualified to Vote agreeable to the Constitution for Governour &c. to meet at our Meeting house in Dudley on Monday the Seventh Day of April Next at one of The Clock in the afternoon then and there to act upon the following Articles (Viz)

First To vote for a Governour

2ndly To Vote for a Lieut. Governour

3rdly To Vote for Counsellors and Senators (agreeable to Law)

4thly To Vote and Chuse a Moderator for the remainder of S^d Meeting

5thly To Vote for a County Treasurer for our County of Worcester

6thly For the Town to act Relative to abating of Taxes in Constable Corbins, Willards, Dodges, and Healys hands that they Cannot Collect As they think best

7thly To see if the Town will abate James Arnold Ministers Rate for the Year 1787 and also Ezekiel Browns Minister rate for the year 1784 or act thereon as they think best

8thly To see if the Town will Divide the Two School Wards Near M^r Gores and Cap^t Corbins and make Three Wards or Destricts of the Two

9thly To see if the Town will acquiesce in Disposing of some of our poor People Belonging to the Town by way of Vendue or by the Loest Bidder for their Maintainance

Hereof fail Not and Make Due return of this warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before the Said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid the Twenty Fourth Day of March Anno Domini 1788

By order of the Selectmen .

John Chamberlain Town Clerk

Worcester SS. April 7th 1788 In obedience to this Warrent I have Warned the Freeholders & other inhabitants of

the Town of Dudley Quallified to Vote agreeable to the Constitution for a Governour to meet At time and place within mentioned by setting up a True Coppy of this Warrent at the usual place as the Law Directs

Timothy Corbin Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the freeholders and other inhabitants of the Town of Dudley quallified to Vote for Governour &c Regularly assembled At our Meeting house in Dudley on Monday the seventh Day of April AD 1788

First	Voted For a Governour as Followeth (Viz)	
	For his Excellency John Hancock Esq ^r	78 Votes
	Hon. Elbridge Gerry Esq	2 Do
2 nd ly	Voted for Lieut. Governour as Followeth	
	For the Hon. James Warren Esqr.	25 Votes
	For the Hon. Benjamin Lincoln Esqr.	24 Do
	For the Hon. Elbridge Gerry	22 Do
	For the Hon. Nath ^l Gorham Do	1 Do
	For Edward Davis Esqr	1 Do
	For M ^r Joshua Robbins	1 Do
3 rd ly	Voted For Counsellors and Senators as Follows	
	For the Hon Peter Penimon Esq.	46 Votes
	For the Hon. Amos Singlitary Do	45 Do
	For the Hon. John Fesenden Do	45 Do
	For the Hon. Jonathan Grout Do	45 Do
	For the Hon. John Taylor Do	46 Do
	For the Hon. Moses Gill Do	21 Do
	For the Hon. Sam ^l Baker Do	21 Do
	For the Hon. Seth Wasbourn Do	21 Do
	For the Hon. John Sprague Do	22 Do
	For the Hon. Abel Wilder Do	22 Do
	For Timothy Pain Esqr.	1 Do
	Bezaleal Taft Esqr.	1 Do
	Ebe ^r Larned Esqr.	1 Do
	For the Hon. Joseph Stone Esqr.	1 Do
	Josiah Whitney Esqr.	1 Do
	Timothy Fuller Esqr.	1 Do

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4^{thly} Voted M^r Jonathan Day Moderator for the remainder of s^d Meeting

5^{thly} Voted for a County Treasurer as Follows (Viz)
For Nathan Perry Esqr. 37 Votes

6^{thly} Voted to take up the Matter of abating Taxes in Constable Corbins And Willard hands

7^{thly} Voted to abate Isaac Bolsters rates in Constable Corbins hands 4 / 6

8^{thly} Voted to abate or so far abate some Taxes in Constable Willards Lists as follows He being accountable to the Town for the whole sums hereafter Mentioned or any part thereof if it is Ever in his power to Collect Them

The sum abated is £ 10 : 8 : 10 in the Following mens hands
Viz Joseph Phillip's £7 : 6 : 3 Joseph Senath £ 1 : 2 : 6 :
2 Elizabeth Senath £ 0 : 2 : 0 Will^m Gorden £ 1 : 14 : 6 :
1 Jacob Amidown £ 0 : 2 : 4 3. Benj^a Freeman £ 0 : 0 :
11 : 3 the Selectmen to Give an order on the Town Treasurer to the amount of £ 10 : 8 : 10

9^{thly} Voted to abate Zephaniah Tuckers rates in Constable Corbins hands To the amount of £ 2 : 2 : 11 : 3

10^{thly} Voted to abate Jacob Jacksons rates in Constable Corbins hands to the Amount of £ 1 : 15 : 9 on the Following Condition viz if Corbin Ever Can Collect them he is to be accountable to the Town and is To Exert himself to get them

11^{thly} Voted Not to abate James Arnold Minister rate in the year 1787

12^{thly} Voted Not to abate Ezekiel Browns Minister rate for 1784

13^{thly} Voted to Let the 8th Article Subside till May Meeting

We the Subscribers Selectmen of Oxford and Dudley mett and Preambled the Line between said Towns begining at the south east Corner of Charlton thence Eastwardly to a heep of stones thence Southardly to a Black oak Tree & stones the North side of s^d Dudley Road thence Southardly renewing

the bounds to a Maple Tree & stones By the North side of the Mill Brook that Emptys out of the Great Pond by us

Eben^r Humphry } Selectmen
Eph^r Russel } of Oxford

Jonathan Day } Selectmen
Will^m Larned } of Dudley

Worcester SS. To the Constable of the Town of Dudley in Said County Greeting



May
Warrant

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are Hereby Directed forthwith to warn or Notify the Freeholders And other Inhabitants of Said Town Qualified (agreeable To the Constitution) to Vote for a Representative to meet at Our Meeting House in said Dudley on Thursday the Eighth Day of May Next at one O Clock in the Afternoon then And there to act upon the Following articles (Viz)

First To Elect a Person to represent us at the General Court appointed To be holden at the State House in Boston on the Last Wednesday of May Next and from session to session whenever the said Court Shall Sit for the year Insuing
2^{ndly} To Chuse a Moderator for the remainder of said Meeting

3^{rdly} To see if the Town will order the Town Clerk to raise out Certain Lines Enserted in the Town Book Relative to the Rev M^r Gleason Sallery in the Year 1779 which he Saith is Not true

4^{thly} To see if the Town will Reconsider the Vote Not allowing Lt. Curtis Town Treasurer ten pounds which was Lost or Mislaid As he supposes which was passed Last Town Meeting and Allow the Ten Pounds or act thereon as they think best

5^{thly} To see what the Town will Do relative to a Note of hand that M^r Jona^t Day has given for Henry Brown's rates

6^{thly} To act Relative to abating Taxes in Constable Dodges and Healys Lists which they Cannot Collect or any other Constable

7^{thly} For the Town to act Relative to the Middle of the Towns Building a School House near the Meeting House or any Other place as they Can agree and they to Draw their own Money and the Two remote parts of the Town by M^r Uphams And Lieu^t Warrens Draw their Money

8^{thly} To see if the Town will abate Ephraim Bates Minister rates in Constable Ephraim Corbins rates or hands

Hereof fail Not and Make Due return of this Warrent With your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before the Said Day. Dated at Dudley aforesaid the 24th Day of April in the Year of our Lord 1788

By order of the Selectmen

John Chamberlain T. Clerk

N. B. the Inhabitants are Desired to attend Punctual at the time

Worcester SS. May 8th 1788 In obedience to the within warrent I have warned the Freeholders And other Inhabitants Qualified agreeable to the Constitution to Vote for a representative to meet at time and place within Mentioned by setting up a True Copy of this warrent as the Law Directs

Timothy Corbin Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Qualified to Vote for a representative & Regularly assembled on Thursday the Eighth Day of May 1788

First Voted to send a Representative

2^{ndly} Voted Lieu^t John Warren said Representative this year

3^{rdly} Voted and Chose M^r Jona^t Day Moderator of the remainder of said Meeting

4^{thly} Voted to pass over the 3^d article in the Warrent

5thly Voted to reconsider the Vote that was passed the Last Town Meeting relative to not allowing L^d John Curtis Town Treasurer Ten pounds which he Lost or Could not account for and to allow it

6thly Voted to have the 5th article in the warrent subside

7thly Voted to abate Stephen Spaulding rates in Cons. Dodges hands To the amount of £ 0. 9. 7

8thly Voted not to abate John Heaths rates in Cons. Dodges hands

9thly Voted to abate I. Bolsters rates in Const. Dodges hands Amounting to £ 0. 1. 11. 1

10thly Voted to put over the matter about abating Widow Slys rates in Constable Dodges hands

11thly Voted to order the Town Treasurer to Credit Constable Dodge for David Thayres rates £ 0. 4. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$

12thly Voted to abate Daniel Haydens Rates in Constable Dodges hands £ 10. 5. 3. 1

13thly Voted to let the matter Subside about abating W^m Hobbs rates In Constable Step. Healys hands and he Not to be Called on at present for s^d rates

14thly Voted to Let the matter Subside about abating Taxes in Const Stephen Healys hands and he Not to be Called on for such as he Cannot Collect

15thly Voted to Let the 7th article Subside till the next Town Meeting

16thly Voted to abate Ephraim Bates Minister rates in Constable Ephraim Corbins hands

May 19th 1788

We the Subscribers Selectmen of Charlton and Dudley Mett And Preamblated the Line between said Towns Beginning At the South East Corner of Charlton thence runing Westardly To a White oak Tree Marked thence to a Black oak Tree marked thence To a Walnut Tree with stones about it thence to a Chesnut Tree Marked thence to a stake and stones thence

to a stake and stones thence to a stake and stones thence to a White oak Tree Marked Thence to a white oak Tree thence to a white oake Tree Thence to a Walnut Tree thence to a stake & stones Thence to a white oak Tree with stones about it thence to the South West Corner of Charlton and North west Corner of Dudley

Witness our Hands

John Warren	} Selectmen of Dudley and Charlton
Isaac Lee	
Free Comings	
Eph ^{im} Morey	

At a Council Convened at Dudley, August the 19th 1788— Present the Honorable Joseph Dorr; Joseph Reed Esq^{rs} & Joseph Huntington D. D. a Complaint was laid before the Council, by Edward Davis Esq^r against the Rev^d Pastor of the Church in this place And Col^o Jonathan Day Charging the said Pastor And S^d Col^o Day with a breach of the Ninth Commandment, as by S^d Complaint, bearing date June 19 1788 on File appears — also a charge was brought against the Above named Edward Davis Esq^r for breach of the fourth Commandment, in absenting himself from the Holy sacrament of the lord's supper, and other unbecoming Conduct on The same occasion; and some other matters relative to the expence of S^d Council were also Submitted to the decesion of the Same.

**Result of
Council
1788**

The Council opened by Prayer: and after a Deliberate and Impartial attention to the Evidences and all arguments That were offered, and a mature consideration of the same, the Council have unanimously agreed on the following result, (Viz) with regard to the S^d Rev^d Pastor and Colo Day, It is our opinion that the charge brought against them is not sufficiently supported, and that what they said relative to Deacon Davis in alledging that he made a record not agreeable to the Truth of facts &c. was spoken according to their opinion

and Understanding of the Vote of the Town in that case and also Agreeable to the Justice of the matter contained in S^d Vote Although, at the same time Gospel Charity leads us to believe that the S^d Decon did record the said vote according to his own sense and understanding of the same; yet we disapprove of the vague and incorrect method in which S^d record was made; and we look on this article only as a Mis-understanding between the adverse parties, which is unhappy, but not criminal, as a matter of Censure.

And with regard to the accusation against Decon Davis, As above expressed; it is our opinion that the S^d Deacon unhappily Deveated from his Duty, in absenting himself from the Holy Sacrament, & in neglected a Seasonable preparation of the Elements & vessels necessary in the administration of the Same; and we think it his duty to disapprove of his conduct In that matter, which we Judge he may sufficiently do by an Express approbation of this our result of Council at this time in the presence of this assembly.

We are Happy to observe so much Charity, Candor, and Christian Temper, as hath appeared in the managment of this Controversy, Since we have been present; and add our fervent and Devout prayers, that a spirit of love, truth and a sound mind may ever abundantly prevail in this place; that it may please the Great Head of the Church to afford you his richest blessings with A preached Gospel and the ordenances of it; to build you up in Faith and Love, and in his own time to present you all Faultless before the presence of his Glory with Exceeding Joy.

Passed in Council at Dudley the day Years Above written

Attest J. Huntington Scribe

P. S. Inasmuch as the labors of this Council have been Sincerely designed for the Good of this church, inclusive of great benefit to the Town, in the restoration of Peace to the Church & Securing of Harmony & tranquility to the Town: we think It most advisable that the Church should see that

the expense of Council be defrayed, nothing doubting that the Good people of the Town will voluntarily bear their small proportion Therein

By order of the Church and Town

John Chamberlain Town Clerk

October
Warrant
1788

Worcester SS. To the Constable of the Town of
Dudley in said County Greeting

In the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts You are hereby required forthwith to warn or notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of said Town of Dudley Quallified To vote in Town affairs to meet at our Meeting house in S^d Town on monday the Twenty Seventh Day of October Instant at one O Clock in the afternoon Then and There to act upon the Following articles (viz)

First To chuse a moderator for S^d Meeting

2ndly For the Town to grant money for schooling the present year

3rdly To Chuse School Committees for the present year

4thly To see if the Town will Chuse a Committee to settle with The Rev. Charles Gleason relative to the arrearges Due to him Up to the present year and make report to the Town as soon as may be or act thereon as the town shall see fitt

5thly For the Town to grant money for our Necessary charges the Present Year if Needed

6thly To see what the Town will do about selling the land belonging To the Town where Will^m Cobourn Lately Lived or act thereon As the Town thinks best.

Hereof fail not and Make due return of this warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before s^d Day

Dated at dudley aforesaid this Thirteenth day of Oc^r Anno Dominni 1788

By order of the Selectmen

John Chamberlain Town Clerk

Worcester SS Oct^r 27th 1788 In obedience to the within
Warrant I have Notified the Freeholders and other Inhabitants

of Quallified to Vote in Town affairs to meet
at time and place within mentioned by setting up a True
copy of this warrant as the Law Directs

Timothy Corbin Constable



At a meeting of the Freeholders and other inhabitants of
the Town of Dudley Quallified to Vote in Town affairs Regu-
larly Assembled on monday the Twenty seventh day of
Oc^r 1788

First Voted Col^o Jon^t Day Moderator for said meeting

2ndly Voted 60 £ for schooling this Year

3rdly Voted Maj^r Healy, Jon^t Bacon, Cap^t Chamberlain,
Josiah Conat, Mark Ellwell, Cap^t Eddy and L^t Hill school
Committees

4thly Voted that the Town Chuse a Committee Confer
with the Rev. M^r Gleason respecting the arrearages and make
report to the Town At the next meeting

5thly Voted Col^o Day, Jon^t Bacon. & John Chamberlain
Said Committee

6th Voted to grant 50 £ for our Necessary charges this
year.

7thly Voted to pass by the 6th article



Worcester SS. To the Constable of the Town of Dudley
in s^d County Greeting

In the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts you are
hereby Required forthwith to warn or Notify the freeholders
and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley quallified to
Vote for a representative To meet at our meeting house in
Dudley on Thursday the Eighteenth Day of Dece^r instant at
Ten OClock in the forenoon then and there To act upon
the following articles (Viz) to Chuse a person to represent
The County of Worcester in the Congress of the united
States Also to vote for Two persons as Candidates for



Dec^r
Warrant
1788

the County aforesaid For an Elector of the President and Vice President of the united States

2ndly To chuse a Moderator for the remainder of Said Meeting

3rdly To hear the report of the Committee chosen the Last Town Meeting To Confer with the Rev. Charles Gleason Relative to the arrearages due To him and act thereon as the Town thinks best.

4thly To see if the Town will abate the following taxes in Constable Putneys Hands to Collect (Viz) Josiah Harris 12 / 9 Ezra holbrook 10 / 6 John Johnson 15 / 6 Pearly Phillips 16 / 6 $3/4$ Benj^a Rogers 9 / $2\frac{3}{4}$ Eliz Senath / $11\frac{3}{4}$ Joseph Senath 9 / $2\frac{3}{4}$ Zachariah Senath 9 / $2\frac{3}{4}$ And Joseph Bâlcom 9 / $2\frac{3}{4}$

5thly To see if the Town will Divide the Two School wards Near M^r Gores & Cap^t Corbins and Make Three and Let Each ward When Divided draw there own money

6thly For the Town to consider whether it is best to sell the Land where Will^m Coburn lately Lived

Hereof fail not and make Due return of this warrent With your doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before S^d Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this Second day of Dec^r AD 1788

By order of the Selectmen

John Chamberlain Town Clerk

Worcester SS Dec^r 18th 1788 I have warned the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Quallified to Vote for a representative to meet and place within mentioned by setting up a True Cobby of this warrent at the usual place

Pr me Timothy Corbin Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley regularly assembled on Thursday the Eighteenth Day of Dec^r 1788

1st Voted for a representative as follows Viz

For Jonathan Grout Esq ^r	21 Votes
For John Sprage Esq ^r	16 Ditto
For Timothy Paine Esq ^r	2 Ditto
For Electors as follows (Viz)	
For Timothy Paine Esq ^r	27 Votes
For John Fessenden Esq ^r	19 Ditto
For Artemas Ward Esq ^r	8 Ditto

2ndly Voted Col^o Jon^t Day Moderator for the remainder of Said Meeting

3rdly Voted to refer acting upon the report of the Committee Chosen the Last meeting to Treat with Rev. m^r Gleason About arrearages till march meeting Next

4thly Voted to abate Josiah Harriss rates in Constable Putneys hands 13 / 9

5thly Voted for the Town Treasurer to Credit Constable Putneys 16 0 $\frac{3}{4}$ For Pearly Phillips & also Benj^a Rogers 9 / 2 $\frac{3}{4}$

6thly Voted to abate Joseph and Elizabeth Senath rates in Putneys Hands amounting to 10 0 And also abated John Fosters rates in Cons Corbins hands 3 £ 9

7thly Voted to Chuse a Committee to Consider at Large The Ill Conveniency of The 2 School wards by mr gores and Capt^t Corbins and to make Three if Needful and also to Consider Whether in stead of makeing Three wards of the Two mentioned It would not be Expedient to have one in the Middle of the Town and then Let the Extreems be Provided for afterwards

8thly Voted Cap^t John Eddy Ens John Chamberlain & L^t Ezekiel Brown said Committee

Worcester SS To the Constable of the Town of Dudley in Said County Greeting

In the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby Required forthwith to warn or notify the Freeholders

SEAL

Jan^r and other Inhabitants of said Town of Dudley duly quallified
 Warrant to Vote for a Representative To the General Court of this
 1789 Commonwealth to meet at our Meeting house in Dudley on
 Thursday the Twenty-ninth of January Current at one
 o Clock In the after-noon then and there to act upon the
 following article (Viz) To vote for a representative to repre-
 sent the District of Worcester In the Congress of the united
 States of America

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrent with
 your doings Unto the Select Men on or before Said day
 Dated at Dudley aforesaid This Twenty Second day of
 January Anno dominni 1789
 by order of the Selectmen

John Chamberlain Town Clerk

Worcester SS January 29th 1789 By virtue of the within
 Precept I have warned the freeholders and other Inhabitants
 of the Town of Dudley quallified to Vote for a representative
 to meet at time and place by setting up a True copy of this
 warrent at the Usual place

Timothy Corbin Constable of Dudley

At a Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the
 Town of dudley duly quallified to Vote for a representative Reg-
 ularly assembled on Thursday the Twenty-ninth Day of
 January AD 1789

Voted for a Representative as Follows (Viz)
 For the Hon. Timothy Pain Esq^r 24 Votes
 For Ditto Jonathan Grout Esq^r 24 Ditt o

Worcester SS. To the Constable of the Town of Dudley
 in Said County of worcester Greeting

In the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts you are
 hereby required Forthwith to warn or Notify the Freeholders



and other Inhabitants of said Town of Dudley qualified to Vote in Town affairs to Meet at our Meeting House in Dudley on Monday the Second day of March Next at Nine O Clock In the Fore-noon then and there to act upon the Following articles (Viz)

March
Warrant
1789

First To Chuse a Moderator for said Meeting

2ndly To chuse Town officers for the year Insuing as the Law Directs

3rdly To see if the Town will Let their Swine run at Large as usual the year insuing

4thly To Grant Money for our Highways and Bridges this year Insuing and agree how the same shall be expended.

5th To see if the Town will agree to hire a Collector or Collectors of Taxes for the Year Insuing he or they procuring good Bondsmen

6thly For the Town to hear and act as they see fitt upon the Report of the Committee chosen in october Last to treat with Rev. M^r Gleason about arrearages Due to him and if said report is accepted to grant Money for said arrearages

7thly To hear the report of the Committee chosen in December Last to Consider The ill convenancies of some School wards or rather' to View at Large what is Most advisable about a School house being built in the Middle of the Town And act thereon as the Town thinks best

8thly For the Town to accept of the road laid out by the Select Men for L^t James Hill from his house to the Road by M^r Brown

9th For the Town to Chuse a person to take Care of our Meeting House

Hereof fail not and Make due return of this Warrent with your Doings thereon unto the Select men on or before said Day

Dated at Dudley aforesaid this Twelfth day of Feb^r Anno Dómini 1789

By order of the Select Men

John Chamberlain Town Clerk

Worcester SS. March 2 1789 In obedience to the with-

in Warrent I have warned the Freeholders and Other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley quallified to Vote in Town Affairs to meet at Time and place within Mentioned by setting up a True Coppy of this Warrant at the usual place in Dudley

Timothy Corbin Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of The Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley duly quallified to Vote in Town affairs Regularly Assembled at our Meeting house in s^d Town on Monday the Second Day of March 1789

First Voted Col^o Jon^t Day Moderator for Said Meeting.

2ndly Voted Ens. John Chamberlain Town Clerk.

3rdly Voted to have Five Select Men this year.

4thly Voted Col^o Jon^t Day First Select Man.

5thly Voted L^t John Warren Second Select Man.

6thly Voted Cap^t Jacob Chamberlain Third Ditto.

7thly Voted Ens. Will^m Larned Fourth Ditto.

8^t ly Voted M^r Isaac Lee Fifth Ditto.

These Persons have Taken the oaths Requir'd by Law

9thly Voted to have Five assessors this year and they to serve without pay

10thly Voted L^t Ezekiel Brown First assessor.

11thly Voted Ensⁿ John Chamberlain second Ditto.

12thly Voted M^r Eben^r Foster Third Ditto.

13thly Voted M^r John Bracket Fourth Ditto.

14thly Voted L^t Stephen Coman Fifth Ditto.

15thly Voted M^r Simeon Wood Town Treasurer.

These persons have Taken the oaths Requir'd by Law

16th Voted to Hire two Collectors this year they giving Bonds with Two Good Bondsmen to save the Town harmless from their neglect or failing to Collect and pay in their Taxes as the Law directs

17thly Voted the Collectors to be Constables if they Chuse it Timothy Corbin bid it off at Three pence half penny on the Pound For the East End of Dudley

18thly Voted to allow the West End Constable and Collector to have half a penny More in the pound than the East End

19thly Voted to accept Doc^t John E. Eaton & Timothy Foster J^r as Bondsmen for said Timothy Corbin Collector & Constable John Holy Morris Bid off the Collectors Birth for the West End of the Town at Four pence on the pound

20thly Voted Ephraim Corbin and Moses Healy Wardians

21st Voted Stephen Healy and Will^m Foster Tithingmen

22ndly Voted Maj^r Nat^h Healy Scaler of Weights and Measures.

23rdly Voted John Healy scaler of Leather

24thly Voted Josiah Hovey Culler of Lumber

25thly Voted Daniel Arnold, L^t Moses Jewell Fence Viewers

26ly Voted John Vinton, L^t Jo. Keith, Ens. Nathan Jeffords, Nath^l Healy Jr. Lem^l Foster, Benj^a Morris Jr. and Thomas Cheany Highway Surveyors and also Collectors of said Taxes

27thly Voted to Let our swine run at Large this year

28thly Voted Charles Brown, James Bates, Benj^a, Jewell & Daniel Mercy Hog Reaves

29th Voted 60£ for our Highways and Bridges this year

30th Voted that the same shall be worked out at 3 0 per Day on or befor the first day of Oct^r Next if not to work s^d at 1 6 per day after that In october and only in that Months

31st Voted Not to accept the Report of the Committee Chosen to Settle with Rev M^r Gleason about arrearages due to him

32ndly Voted to put over the report of the Committee Chosen to Viewe at Large the Circumstances of the School Wards till April Meeting Next

33rd Voted to accepted the Road laid out by the Selectmen from L^t Hills out to the road by M^r Browns

34^{thly} Voted Bennoni Adams to Take Care of our Meeting House this year

35^{thly} Voted to advise Constable Corbin Time to wait on Elijah Humphrey Untill April Meeting for a Holbrook Rate and to put a Clause in the Warrent for abaiting said Rate

36th Voted to put over the Matter of Hollaway Morris being Coll^r till April

37th Voted to adjourn this Meeting Untill the first Monday in April

April 6th Meet agreeable to adjournment

1st Voted to Release Timothy Corbin as Serving Constable & Collector for the East End of the Town

2^{ndly} Voted Lemuel Foster East End Constable and Collector he bidding The same off at Five pence on the Pound

3^{rdly} Voted and accepted Lt Timothy Foster jr & Ens Will^m Larned Bondsmen for Said Foster

4^{thly} Voted Will^m Smith West End Constable & Collector He bidding it off at Seven pence half Penny on the Pound

5^{thly} Voted and accepted Capt^t John Eddy & And Thomas Morris as Bondsmen for Said Will^m Smith

6^{thly} Voted to Refer acting upon the report of the Committee Chosen to View the School wards untill May Meeting

7^{thly} Voted to allow Timothy Corbin the Benifit of the Towns fine For not sending a representative in 1786 he paying to L^t John Warren what it Cost him to pay Said fine in hard Money

8^{thly} Voted to abate Twenty Two Shillings in favour of Elijah Humphreys in Cons. Tim^y Corbins hands for 1784

The Last Vote was pased in april Meeting although recorded under March Meeting the adjournd March meeting and April Being all in one Day caused this Vote to Stand as it Does

The Subscriber Demand of the People of this Town The
 Mr. Gleason Demand Eighty Seven Pounds arrearages Granted me by the Town at their Town Meeting in May 1785: and the Interest of it from that time to this Day

Charles Gleason

Dudley April 6th 1789

March Meeting Desolved & all officers Sworn Except James Bates

Worcester SS. To the Constabl of the Town of Dudley in Said County Greetg



Warrant

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are Requird to warn or notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Said Town of Dudley Duly quallified to Vote for a Representative to the General Court of this Commonwealth To meet at our Meeting house in Dudley on Monday the Second Day of march next at Three oClock in the afternoon then and there to Vote for a person to represent the district of Worcester In the Congress of the united States of america

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrent with Your doings thereon unto the Select on or before Said Day

Dated at Dudley aforesaid this Eighteenth day of February Anno Dominni 1789

By order of the Select Men

John Chamberlain T. Clerk

Worcester SS. March 2^d 1789 In obedience to the within Warrent I have warned the Freeholders And other inhabitants of the Town of Dudley to meet at time And place within Mentioned by setting up a True Copsy of this warrent at the usual place in Dudley

Timothy Corbin Constable of Dudley

At a Meeting of the Freeholder and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudly quallified to Vote for a representative Regularly assembled at our Meeting house in s^d Town on Monday The Second day of March anno dominni 1789

Voted for a representative to represent Worcester District as follws (Viz)

- For the Hon. Timothy Paine Esq^r 33 Votes
- For the Hon. Jonathan Grout Esq^r 56 Ditto

Report
of the
Committee
To Settle
With Rv
Mr. Gleason

We the Subscribers being Chosen a Committee To treat with Rev. M^r Gleason about the arrearages of his Sallery have waited upon him And Report as Follows (Viz) That M^r Gleason says in March 1781 There was due to him by the depreciation scale 137£ 15 / in May 1785 He abated 50£ 15 Besides the Interest of the 137£ for four Years which would have been 30£ odd and then the Town Voted to Grant and raise 87£ to make the arrearages of his Sallery and Wood Rate up to March 1781 and if he abates the Interest of that 87£ for one year the Interest from May 1786 to this Day added to the Principle will amount to 100£ which Sum he will accept in full of his arrearages to said march 1781 if Paid directly or if the Town Chuses To give him a bond for that sum to run a Number of years he will accept it. he hopes the Town will not forget that in the year 1779 he gave up a Quarter Part of his Sallery and that he Sunk a Number of pounds by his wood rates being made in the old Nominal Sum in paper Times And he wishes the people to Consider that his Salery is low. and but A small part is paid Seasonably

Jonathan Day	} Committee
Jonathan Bacon	
John Chamberlain	



April
Warrant

Worcester SS. To the Constables of the Town of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby requir'd forthwith to warn or Notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley quallified to Vote agreeable to the Constitution for Governour &c to meet at our meeting house in Dudley on Monday The Sixth day of April next at one oClock in the afternoon Then and there to act upon the following articles (Viz)

- First To vote for a Governour
- 2ndly To vote for a Lieut. Governour
- 3rdly To vote for Counsellors & Senators Agreeable to Law

4thly To Chuse a moderator for the remainder of Said Meeting

5thly To vote for a County Treasurer for the County of Worcester

6thly To see if the Town will abate John Fenners J^r Rates and Joseph Balcoms in Constable Stephen Healy's hands to Collect And Elijah Humphreys rates in Con. Tim. Corbins hands or Rather one particular rate in his hands also Joseph Winters Rates that are not Collected in Constable Chamberlains hands

Hereof fail not and make Due return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen on or before Said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this Twenty First Day of March AD 1789

By order of the Selectmen

John Chamberlain Town Clerk

Worcester SS April 6th 1789 In obedience to the within precepts I have warned the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley quallified to vote according to the Constitution for a Governour To meet at time and place within mentioned by Setting up this Warrant at the usual place in Dudley

Timothy Corbin Constable

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Duly quallified to Vote for a Governour &c Regularly assembled at our meeting house in Dudley on Monday The Sixth Day of April AD 1789

First Voted for Governour as Follows (Viz)

For His Excellency John Hancock Esq^r 70 Votes

2ndly For Lieu^t Governour as Follows viz

For the Hon. Samuel Adams Esq^r 38 Ditto

For his Honour Benjⁿ Lincoln Esq^r 19 Ditto

3rdly Voted for Counsellors and Senators as follows Viz,

Dudley Town Records, 1789.

For the Hon. Amos Singletary Esq ^r	36 Votes
John Fesenden Ditto	47 Ditto
Peter Penimon Ditto	36 Ditto
Martin Kinsley Ditto	37 Ditto
David Bigalow Ditto	36 Ditto
Moses Gill Ditto	19 Ditto
Samuel Baker Ditto	18 Ditto
Abel Wilder Ditto	19 Ditto
Andrew Peters Ditto	10 Ditto
Bezaleal Taft Ditto	7 Ditto
Timothy Pain Ditto	7 Ditto
Seth Washbourn Ditto	2 Ditto

4^{thly} Voted Colo. Jon^t Day Moderator for the remainder of S^d Meeting

5^{thly} Voted to put over the remainder of April Meeting until May meeting

May 5th 1789 Meet agreeable to adjournment

1st Voted for a County Treasurer as follows

For M^r Nathan Perry 27 Votes For Jos Allen 11
Votes For Tim^v Paine Esq^r 3 Votes

2^{ndly} Voted Not to abate John Fenners J^r & Joseph Balcoms rates In Constable Stephen Healys Hands

3^{rdly} Voted Not to abate Joseph Winters Rates in Cons^e John Chamberlains hands

Road

A Road laid out by the Select Men of Dudley on the Twenty Seventh Day of February 1789 From L^t James Hill's out to the road by M^r Andrew Browns Bounded as follows from S^d Hills as the road is now Trod an open road to Whitfords Land thence Westardly on Whitfords Land untill it comes to Will^m Browns Line thence by Browns Line on Whitfords Land to a Popple Tree Thence to Whitfords

House a bridle Road from thence An open road by the river
untill it comes to The road by M^r Browns aforesaid

Jon ^t Day	}	Select Men of Dudley
Wm. Larned Jr		
Isaac Lee		

The above Mentioned Road was Laid before the Town at
the annual Meeting in March 1789 and was accepted

Worcester SS To the Constables of the Town of Dud-
ley in Said County or Either of them Greeting

May
Meeting
Warrant

In the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts you or
Either of you are hereby required forthwith to warn or Notify
The freeholders and other Inhabitants of said Town Qualli-
fied (Agreeable to the Constitution) to vote for a Representa-
tive to meet at our Meeting house in Dudley on Tuesday the
Fifth Day of May Next at One O Clock in the afternoon
Then and there to Act upon the following articles Viz



First To Elect a person to represent us at the General
Court appointed to be holden at the State House in Boston on
the last Wednesday of May next and from Session to Session
wherever The Said Court Shall Sit for the year Ensuing

2ndly To chuse a Moderator for the remainder of s^d Meeting

3rdly To see if the Town will Satisfy the Demand that was
made In April meeting past by the Rev. Charles Gleason or
act Thereon as the Town thinks best

4thly To See if the Town will abate some Ministerial
Taxes in L^t John Curtis's hands to Collect

Hereof fail not and Make due return of this Warrant with
Your doings thereon unto the Select Men on or before S^d Day
Dated at Dudley aforesaid this Twentyeth Day of April In
the year of our Lord 1789

By order of the Select Men

John Chamberlain Town Clerk

Worcester SS By Virtue of the within warrant I have
warned or notified The freeholders and other Inhabitants of

the Town of Dudley Quallified agreeable to the Constitution to Vote for a representative to meet at time and place as the Law Directs by Sitting up a True Copy of this warrant at the usual place

p^r me Lem^l Foster Constable of Dudley

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Duly quallified agreeable to the Constitution to Vote for a Representative regularly assembled At our Meeting house on Tuesday the Fifth day of May AD 1789

First Voted to Send a representative to the General Court
 2ndly Voted Col^o Jonathan Day Said Representative
 3rdly Voted L^t John Warren Moderator for the remainder of s^d Meeting

4thly Voted to Pass over the 3rd article in the warrant
 5thly Voted to abate the following Taxes in L^t Curtis's hands Meaning Ministerial taxes (Viz) Joseph Philips 16 | 1
 W^d Walcotts 3 | 8¼ Zach^h Newton 3 | 1½ M^r Dunton
 2 | 4¾ Stephen Edmunds 3 | 4¾
 Meeting Desolved

Sep
 Warrant



Worcester SS To either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in said county of Worcester Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you or Either of you are by required forthwith to warn or Notify the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Said Town of Dudley quallified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our Meeting House in s^d Town on Thursday The seventeenth day of Sep^t Instant at One OClock in the afternoon Then and There to act upon the following articles (Viz)

First To Chuse a Moderator for said Meeting
 2ndly To grant Money for schooling the present year if they see fitt
 3rdly To Chuse school Committees for the present year

4^{thly} To grant money to Defray the Necessary Charges of s^d Town of Dudley The present Year if Needed

5^{thly} For the Town to regulate the Juror Boxes as is pointed in the Law

6^{thly} For the Town to give the assessors some advice about assessing the Ministerial Taxes

7^{thly} To abate Taxes in any Constables hands that makes application for Abatements if the Town thinks best

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon unto the Selectmen on or before s^d Day

Dated at Dudley aforesaid this Third day of September Anno domini one Thousand Seven Hundred & Eighty Nine

By order of the Selectmen

John Chamberlain Town Clerk

Worcester SS Sep^r 17th 1789 By Virtue of the within Warrent I have warned or Notified The freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Quallified to vote in Town Town affairs to meet at time and place As the Law Directs by setting up this warrent at the usual place in Dudley

Pr me Lem^r Foster Constable of Dudley

At a Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualified to vote in Town affairs regularly assembled At our Meeting House in S^d Town on Thursday the Seventeenth Day of Sep^r 1789

First Voted L^r John Warren Moderator for Said Meeting

2^{ndly} Voted to raise 60 £ for Schooling The present Year

3^{rdly} Voted and Chose John Vinton, Royal Sailes, Jon^t Bacon, James Brown, Will^m Smith, L^r Will^m Larned, Stephen Healy School Committees the present year

4^{thly} Voted to raise £150 Specially to pay a note of hand that Esq^r Marcy holds against the Town

5^{thly} Voted for the Town Treasury to C^r Cons. Benj^a Ed-
munds for Goodel's Taxes amounting to £0..19..11..2

6^{thly} Voted Ditto for Daniel Hood £0..2..8.3

7^{thly} Voted to C^r Constable J. Chamberlain for J. Win-
ters rates

8^{thly} Voted to abate Ezekiel Browns Minister rate £2..17..0
1.. 1..8

Warrant
March 1st
1790

Worcester SS. To either of the Constables of the Town
of Dudley in said County Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you or
Either of you are hereby requir'd to warn or notify the Free-
holders and other Inhabitants Of said Town of Dudley (qualli-
fied to Vote in Town affairs) to meet At our Meeting house
in Said Town on Monday the first day of March Next at Nine
OClock A. M. then and there to act upon the following
articles (Viz)

First To Chuse a Moderator for Said Meeting.

2^{ndly} To Chuse Town officers for the Year Ensueing as
the Law Directes

3^{rdly} To see if the Town will agree to hire a Collector or
Collectors of Taxes for the year ensueing he or they procuring
good Bondsmen

4^{thly} To see if the Town will let their Swine run at Large
as usual the year Ensueing

5^{thly} To grant Money for our Highways, and Bridges

6^{thly} To abate such Taxes as the Town see's fitt that the
Constables Exhibit on s^d Day

7^{thly} To see if the Town will satisfy the Demand of
M^r Elisha Corbin, for his Service in Looking up some Land
Called Dudley's Land a Number Of years ago

8^{thly} To see if the Town will rattify the agreement of the
School Ward For dividing Said ward and making Two by
M^r Gore's

9^{thly} To see if the Town will allow M^r Ezbon Carter's

SEAL

account for keeping M^r Roger Carter from the Sixth day of April Last past to the time He agreed to keep him with the Selectmen

Hereof fail not and make due Return of this Warrant with your Doing Thereon unto the Selectmen on or before Said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid This Eleventh Day of Feb: AD 1790

By order of the Select Men

John Chamberlain Town Clerk

Worcester SS. March 1st 1790 In obedience to the within warrent I have warned the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley to Meet at time and place within Mentioned by Setting up this warrant at the usual place in Dudley

Return

p^r me Will^m Smith Constable

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley (duly quallified to Vote in Town affairs) regularly Assembled at our Meeting house in Said Town on Monday the first Day of March AD 1790.

- First Voted L^t John Warren Moderator for said Meeting
- 2ndly Voted L^t John Chamberlain Town Clerk
- 3^{ly} Voted to have 5 Select Men this Year
- 4thly Voted L^t John Warren First Select Man
- 5thly Voted L^t Will^m Larned Second Ditto
- 6thly Voted Cap^t John Eddy Third D^o
- 7thly Voted M^r Isaac Lee fourth D^o
- 8thly Voted Enss: Thomas Larned fifth D^o
- 9thly Voted to have 5 Assessors this Year
- 10thly Voted Col^o Jonathon Day First Assessor
- 11thly Voted L^t Ezekiel Brown Second D^o
- 12thly Voted L^t John Chamberlain Third Do.
- 13thly Voted M^r John Bracket fourth Do.
- 14thly Voted John Fenner Esq^r fifth Do.
- 15thly Voted M^r Simeon Wood Town Treasurer

These persons are quallified agreeable to Law

16thly Voted to hire 2 Collectors this Year thay procuring good Bondsmen To Save the Town harmless from their neglecting or failing to Collect And pay in the Taxes according to Law

17thly Voted Col^o Jonathan Day East End Collector & Constable at 5ⁿ per pound for Collecting.

18thly Voted John Holl^r Morriss West End Collector & Constable at 5 1/2ⁿ per pound for Col

19thly Voted L^t Will^m & Enss Thomas Larned Bondsmen for Said Col^o Day

20th Voted Nath^l Healy & Josiah Hovey Tithing Men

21th Voted Maj^r Nath^l Healy Sealer of Weights & Measures

22nd Voted John Healey Sealer of Leather

23rd Voted Josiah Hovey Culler of Lumber

24thly Voted Enss Nathan Jeffords & Luther Chamberlain Fence Viewers

25thly Voted Israel Bates, Joseph Allen, John Eddy, Timothy Corbin, John Albec, Jeremiah Haskell, & Joseph Vinton J^r Highway Surveyors & Collectors of the Same

26thly Voted to let our Swine run at large the year Ensuing

27th Voted Moses Healy, Rufus Conant, Mark Dodge Jr & Simeon Wakefield Hog Reaves

28thly Voted 60£ for the Cost of our Highways and Bridges this year

29thly Voted that the Same shall be worked out at 3 / 0 per Day by the first of Oct^r Next

30thly Voted to adjourn this Meeting until Tuesday the Ninth Day of March Instant at 10 OClock A. M. and it was adjourned accordingly

Meet agreeable to adjournment

First Voted to adjourn this Meeting to M^r Benjⁿ Edmunds

2ndly Voted to put by the matter of Co^l Day's Serving as a Constabl & an assessor a little Time

3rdly Voted that the Treasurer should C^r Eph^m Corbin for

Nath^l Smith's Rates amounting to £0 11 6 2

4^{thly} Voted to C^r Timo^r Corbin for Nath^l Smith Rates
£1 11 5½

5^{thly} Voted to put by abating rates in Con^{le} Putneys hands
at present

6^{thly} Voted to allow primas King's account for keeping
Francis Liberty 2 Weeks amount £1 16

7^{thly} Voted not to allow M^r Elisha Corbins acc^t for Looking
up some Dudley's Land

8^{thly} Voted to Ratify the agreement of the School Ward
by M^r Gore's as Follows (Viz) The Devison to be all
west of M^r E Gores Taking him in to belong to the West Dis-
trict and all East of S^d Gores (meaning all that did belong to
S^d Old Ward) to be the East District and the Money to be
Equally Divided Meaning one half the money to be keep in
the East & the other Half in the West District and but one of
these Schools to Be keep at one and the Same Time

Division of
the School
Ward by
Mr Gores

9^{thly} Voted to allow M^r Ezbon Carters acc^t for keeping
Roger Carter

10^{thly} Voted Doc^r James Wallcot West End Constable &
Collector at 1/4ⁿ on the Pound for Collecting in the Room of
John H. Morriss

11^{thly} Voted L^t Ezekiel Brown & Cap^t John Eddy Bonds-
men For S^d Walcot

12th Voted not to allow Co^{lo} Day to Serve as Constable
and assessor

13th Voted to adjourn this Meeting to the Meeting House

14th Voted to put by Chusing an assessor in the Room of
Co^l Day Until April Meeting

15th Voted to adjourn this Meeting until the First Monday
In April at 11 OClock A. M. and it was adjourn'd accord-
ingly

April 5 Meet agreeable to adjournment

1st Voted L^t Joseph Keith & M^r Richard Flynn Wardeans

2^{ndly} Voted to abate M^r Lot Marses Ministerial Rates for 2
years past

3^{ly} Voted to abate Ensⁿ Eleazar Jacksons rates in L^t J. Keiths hands 8 / 9

Worcester SS. To either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in Said County Greeting

Warrant

{ SEAL }

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts You or Either of you are hereby Directed forthwith to Warn or notify the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Said Town of Dudley (Duly Quallified to Vote in Town affairs) To meet at our Meeting House in Said Dudley on Tuesday the Ninth Day of March Next at one OClock P. M. then and There to act upon the following Articles Viz

First To Choose a Moderator for Said Meeting

Gleason

2^{ndly} For the Town to Choose an Agent or agents to Defend Said Town In an action of Debt that the Rev. Charles Gleason has lately Brought against S^d Town or act thereon as the Town Shall think Most to their advantage

Hereof fail not and make Due return of this Warrant with Your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or befor S^d Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this Twenty Sixth Day of Feb^y A D 1790

John Warren	} Selectmen
W ^m Larned Jr.	
Isaac Lee	

Worcester SS. March 9th 1790

In obedience to this Warrant I have warned the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Duly Quallified to vote in Town affairs to Meet at our Meeting House in Dudley as the Law Directs

Will^m Smith Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of The Town of Dudley (Duly quallified to Vote in Town

affairs) Regularly assembled at the Meeting House in Dudly
On Tuesday the Ninth Day of March A D 1790

First Voted L^r John Warren Moderator of Said Meeting

2ndly Voted to Choose one agent to Defend S^d Town
against Rv. C. Gleason

3rdly Voted and Choose Edward Davis Esq^r Agent for the
Town of Dudly to Defend S^d Town in an action of Debt, that
the Rev. Charles Gleason has brought against Said Dudly
The above Meeting Dissolved

Worcester SS. To Either of the Constables of The
Town of Dudley in Said County Greeting

In the name of the Common-wealth of Massachusetts You
or Either of you are hereby directed in the Name of the
Common Wealth Forthwith to warn or notify the Freeholders
and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley (Duly Qualified
to Vote for a Governour agreeable to the Constitution to Meet
at our Meeting House in Sd Town on Monday the Fifth Day
of April Next at One OClock P. M. then and There to
Act upon the following articles (Viz

First To Vote for a Governour

2ndly To Vote for a L^t Governour

3rdly To Vote for Counsellors & Senators agreeable to
Law

4thly to Choose a Moderator for the remainder of Sd
Meeting

5thly To Vote for a County Treasurer for the County of
Worcester

6thly To Grant Money for Schooling for the present Year
if the Town Sees fitt

7thly To Chuse School Committees for the year Ensuing
Year.

8thly To abate Such Taxes as the Constables Exhibit on
s^d Day if the Town thinks it Expedient

9thly To Grant Money for Necessary Charges of S^d Town
if Needed

April
Meeting
1790



Dudley Town Records, 1790.

10^{thly} To the See if the Town will acquiescē in the Select Men's Drawing All orders on The Town Treasurer in Lieu of Drawing them on The Constables

11^{thly} To see if the Town will agree in the assessors Making but one Distinct Colum of all Town Taxes (except Ministerial Taxes) as the assessors think It will be an Easment

Hereof fail not and Make Due return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Selectmen on or before S^d Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this Nineteenth Day of March Anno Domini One Thousand Seven Hundred & Ninety

John Warren	} Selectmen of Dudley
W ^m Larned	
John Eddy	
Isaac Lee	
Thomas Larned	

Worcester SS April 5th, 1790

In obedience to the within Warrent I have warned the Freeholders And other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley (duly qualified To Vote for a Governour &c. to meet at time and place within mentioned by setting up an attested Copy of this Warrant at the Usual place in Dudley

Pr me Jonathan Day Constable

At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants And other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley regularly Assembled at the Meeting House in Dudley on Monday The Fifth Day of April 1790

First Voted For a Governour as follows (viz)

For his Excellency John Hancock Esq 62 votes

2 For L^t Governour as follows viz

For His Honour Sam^l Adams Esq^r 52 D^o

3^{rdly} Voted for Councillors & Senators as follows Viz

For the Hon^{le} Moses Gill 49 Votes

John Fesenden 35 D

Amos Singletary 34 D^o

M ^r David Bigelow	34 D ^o
Cap ^t Jeremiah Larned	43 D ^o
Abel Wilder	14 D ^o
Timothy Paine	14 D ^o
Seth Washburn	6 D ^o
M ^r Ebenezer Davis	15 D ^o
& Caleb Ammidown Esq ^r s	1

4thly Voted Col^o Jonathan Day Moderator for the remainder of s^d Meeting

5thly Voted for a County Treasurer as Follows (Viz)
For Sam^l Allen Esq^r 22 Votes

For Nathan Perry Esq^r 24 D^o

6ly Voted to raise 60£ for schooling the year Ensuing

7ly Voted Timothy Corbin, John Albee, Isaac Lee, Jon^t Day, Josiah Barnes, Tim. Foster J^r & Gideon Sabin School Committees

8thly Voted to C^r Eleazar Putney for Ezra Holbrook rates 10 / 6 Ditto Pearly Phillips 16 / 0³/₄

9thly Voted to abate Ep^m Willards Ministerial rates in J. Chamberlain's hands

10th Voted to abate D^r James Walcot Minister rates in Sam^l Healys hands

11th Voted to C^r Capt Sam Healy for Ebenezer Bacons Rats

12th Voted to raise 40 pound for Necessary Charges the Current year

13^{ly} Voted Not to acquiece in the Selectmen's drawing orders on the Town Treasury

14^{ly} Voted to pass by the 11th Article in the Warrant
Disolvd the Meeting

Worcester SS. To either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in Said County Greeting

May
Warrant

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts You or either of you are hereby requir'd forthwith to warn or notify the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Dud-



ley qualified (Agreable to the Constitution) to vote for a Representative to meet at our Meeting house in Dudley on Tuesday the Fourth Day of May Next at One OClock P. M. then and There to act upon the following articles Viz

First To Elect a person to Represent us at the General Court appointed to be Holden at the State House in Boston on the last Wednesday in May & From Session to Session (whereever the Said Court shall sit) for the year Ensuing

2ndly To Chuse a Moderator for the Remainder of Said Meeting

3rdly To see what the Town will Do about the Land that Mr Elisha Corbin Pretends to Claim that the Town Sold some time past to Mr. Thomas Morris

4thly To abate Taxes that will Exhibeted on Said Day

5thly To see if the Town will mend the Meeting House Windows

6thly To see if the Town will Give a Bounty for Killing Crows

7thly To see if the Town will allow Mr^r Ezbon Carter's ac^t for keeping Roger Carter Fourteen Weeks when Sick

Hereof fail not and make Due return of this Warrant with Your doings thereon unto the Selectmen on or before S^d Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this Nineteenth Day of April Anno Domini One Thousand Seven Hundred & Ninety

John Warren	} Selectmen of Dudley
John Eddy	
Isaac Lee	
Thomas Larned	

Dudley May 4th 1790

In obedience to the within Warrant I have warned the Freeholders And other Inhabitants quallified to vote for a Representative to meet At time & place within Mentioned by Seting up a True Copy of this warrant at our Meeting House in Dudley

P^r Jonathan Day Constable of Dudley

At a Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of the

Town of Dudley Duly qualified to vote for a Representative Regularly at the meeting house in S^d Town on Tuesday the fourth Day of May A D 1790

First Voted L^t John Warren to Representative us this Year

2ndly Voted M^r Thomas Cheney Moderator for the Remainder of Said Meeting

3rdly Voted not to act upon the Third article in the Warrant

4thly Voted to abate John Fenners J^r Rates in Cont. Stephen Healys hands £ 1 : 15 : 8½

5thly Voted not to mend the Meeting House Windows

6thly Voted to give as bounty for Killing Crows Eight pence p^r Body meaning the Bodys to be brought to the Town Clerks. And none to be allowed a bounty upon only what is killed in the Town and the pay to be made as other Necessary Charges are Defrayed

7th Voted to allow M^r Ezbon Carters account for keeping Roger Carter



Pursuant to a Law of this Common-wealth we the Subscribers Selectmen of the Town of Dudley & Sturbridge met agreeable To appointment to preambulate & Renew the bounds between Said Towns begining at the Monument at the South West Corner of Dudley thence Northardly on S^d line to a White Oak tree Thence Westardly on Said line to a heap of Stones thence Northardly on Said line to the Monument at the Northwest Corner Of Dudley

Preambulation Between Sturbrig and Dudley

John Eddy } Selectmen of
Isaac Lee } Dudley
Jedediah Marcy } Selectmen of
Simeon Allen } Sturbridge



Worcester SS. To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in Said County Greeting

Warrant



In the Name of the Common-wealth of Massachusetts you or either of you are hereby required Forthwith to warn or Notify The Freeholders & other Inhabitants of said Town of Dudley (quallified to Vote in Town affairs to Meet at the Meeting-house in Said Town on Wednesday the Twenty Third Day of June at twelve OClock at Noon then and there to act upon the following articles (Viz)

First To Choose a Moderator for Said Meeting

2^{ndly} For the Town to Vote (if they see fitt) that the Publick Teachers or Teachers of the Gospel Shall be Supported by Free Donation in Said Town for the Time to Come

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant With Your doings thereon unto the Select-men on or before Said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this Seventh Day of June AD 1790.

John Eddy }
Isaac Lee } Selectmen
Tho^s Larned }

Dudley June 23^d 1790 In obedience to the within Warrant I have warned the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at Time and Place within Mentioned By Sitting up this warrant at the Usual place in Dudly

Jon^t Day Constable

At a Meeting of the freeholders & Other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly asembled at the Meeting in Said Town on Wednesday the 23d of June 1790.

1st Voted and Chose Co^l Jon^t Day Moderator for s^d Meeting

2^{ndly} Voted not to Support the Publick Teachers of the Gospel by Free Donation 53 against Donation and 43 in Favor of it.

Dissolved

Worcester SS. To either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in Sd County Greeting

Warrant

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you or either of you are hereby Directed forthwith to warn or Notify the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at the Meeting-house in s^d Town on Wednesday the Twenty Third Day of this Instant June at one OClock P. M. then and there to act upon the following articles (viz)



First To Choose a Moderator for Said Meeting

2ndly For the Town to grant money to pay for preaching in the Said Town if they think it best and agree thereon as they Shall See fitt

3rdly If the Town Grantes money to pay for Preaching as aforesaid To chuse a Committee to provide preaching in Said Town

Hereof fail not and make due Return of this Warrant with Your doings unto the Select-men on or before Said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this fifth day of June AD 1790

John Eddy
Isaac Lee
Thomas Larned } Selectmen

Dudley June 23rd 1790 In obedience to the within Warrant I have warned the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualified To vote in Town affairs to meet at time and place within Mentioned by Setting up this Warrant at the usual place in Dudly

Jonathan Day Constable

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley regularly assembled at the Meeting house in S^d Town on Wednesday the 23rd Day of June 1790

First Voted Co^{lo} Jon^t Day Moderator for S^d Meeting

2ndly Voted That all Denominations in the Towns of Dudley Viz Congregationalist, Baptists, Universalists &

Quakers Bring in their Names to the assessors of which Denomination they are of and all that refuse or Neglect to return their Names as aforesaid Shall be Taxed to the Congregational order

3rd Voted to grant and Raise 60£ to pay for preaching this Season

4^{ly} Voted to Chuse a Committee of 3 persons to provide preaching

5 Voted Doctor John E. Eaton, Edward Davis Esqr & Col^o Jonathan Day Said Committee

Dudley August 30th 1790 The proposals of D^r W^m Glysson administrator on the Estate of the Rev. Charles Gleason Late of Dudley Dece^d and Edward Davis agent of the Town of Dudley Relative to the action that the Said Dece^d had Commnc'd against the Inhabitants of Said Town that the Said agent agrees to Recommend To the Town that they Pay unto the Said administrator the Eighty Seven pounds voted & granted in May 1785 that is not already paid and Interest from the Time of the Grant untill paid & all Cost of suit to this Day

Will^m Glysson
Edward Davis

Agreement
of Dr Wm
Gleason
Es^r Davis

Worcester SS. To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley In Said County Greeting

In the name of the Common-wealth of Massachusetts you or either of you are hereby requir'd forthwith to warn or notify the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley (qualified to Vote for a Representative) to meet at the Meeting house in Said Town On Monday the fourth day of Oct^r Next at One OClock P. M. then & there to act upon the following articles (Viz)

First To Vote for a person to Represent the County of



Worcester in The Congress of the United States agreeable to the Resolve of the General Court of this Commonwealth

2ndly To Choose a Moderator for the Remainder of Said Meetg

3rdly To Choose a Select-man In the Room of L^t W^m Larned Late of Dudley Deceas'd

4thly To abate such Taxes that the Constable Exhibit on S^d Day That the Town sees fitt

5thly For the Town to Ratify the Mutual agreement of Edward Davis Esq^r & Doc^r Will^m Gleason Relative to the Action that the Rev. C. Gleason Brought against S^d Town if they think Best

6thly To see if the Town will Grant to Col^o J. Day, Doct. John E. Eaton, M^r Isaac Lee & M^r Joseph Allen the Two Hind Body Seats for pew Spots

7thly To See if the Town will agree that the Two School Districts By M^r Gores be made into One as Usual & but one School House & that to Be in the Center

Hereof fail not and make Due Return of this Warrant with your doings thereon unto the Selectmen on or before Said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this Ninth Day of Sep^t AD 1790

John Warren } Selectmen
John Eddy } of
Isaac Lee } Dudley

Worcester SS. Dudley oct^r 4th 1790. In obedience to the within Warrant I have warned the Freeholders And other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualified to Vote agreeable to the Constitution for a Representative &c. to meet at Time and place within Mentioned by Setting up this Warrant at the usual place in Dudley

Pr me Jonathan Day Constable

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualified agreeable to the Constitution to

Vote for a representative &c. on Monday the fourth day of Oct^r AD 1790

Voted for a Representative as Follows Viz

For the Hon^{le} Jonathan Grout Esq 40 Votes

Hon John Sprague Esq^r 22 Ditto

2ndly Voted Col^o Jon^t Day Moderator for Rem of Said Meeting

3rdly Voted Col^o Jonat Day Selectman in the Room of L^t Larned

4thly Voted to abate Ichabod Chamberlains in Tim^r Corbins hands 7 / 2 Also Amos Cummins Rates in D^o hands 3 / 8

5thly Voted to abate Will^m Hobbs Rates in Con Stephen Healy's hands £1..15..8½ Ditto John Johnson in Ditto £2..11..8 Ditto Joseph Leshuse in D^o £2..5..1 Ditto Perly Phillips C^r in Ditto hands £1..7..0..0 Ditto John Vinton D^o 3 / 3

6thly Voted to abate Aaron Albees Minister Rats in Sam^l Healys 3 / 8½ Ditto to abate Micarah Robinson Minister Rates in C. Corbins hands

7thly Voted to Ratify the agreement of Edward Davis Esq agent for S^d Town & Doc^r Will^m Glysson administrator on the Estate of the Rev. C. Gleason Late of Dudley Dec^d

8thly Voted not to Grant the Request of Co^l J. Day & others

9thly Voted to pass by the 7th Article Desolved

Warrant

{ SEAL }

Worcester SS. To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in Said County Greeting

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts You are hereby Directed to warn or Notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Aforesaid Qualified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at our Meeting-house in Said Town on Monday the Eighth Day of Nov^r at Ten OClock

A. M. then and There to act upon the following articles (Viz)

First To Chuse a Moderator for Said Meeting

2ndly To See if the Town will Concur with the Vote of the Church of Christ in Said Town of Dudley in Making Choice of The Rev^d M^r Joshua Johnson of North Woodstock For their Gospel Minister

3rdly If the Town Concurs with the Church then for Them To agree what offers they will make the Said M^r Johnson for his Settlement and Salery &c

Hereof fail not and Make due Return of this Warrant With your doings thereon unto us at or before Said Day Dated at Dudley the 22^d Day of October AD 1790.

John Warren	}	Selectmen
Jon ^t Day		
Isaac Lee		
Thomas Larned		

Worcester SS. Nov^r 8th 1790 In obedience to the with- in Warrant I have Warned The freeholders and other Inhab- itants of the Town of Dudly Qualified to Vote in Town affairs &c. to meet at time and place within Mentioned by Setting up this Warrant At the usual place in Dudly

P^r me Jon^t Day Constable

Dudley Nov^r 8th 1790 at a Meeting of the Freeholders And other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualified to Vote in Town affairs &c Regularly assembled At the Meeting house in S^d Town on Monday the Eighth day of Nov^r AD 1790

First Voted Doct^r John Elliot Eaton Moderator for S^d Meeting

2ndly Voted to Concur with the Church of Christ in Said Town In making Choice of the Rev^d M^r Joshua Johnson of North Woodstock for their Gospel Minister

3rdly Voted to Chuse a Committee to Confer with the Rev^d M^r Johnson

4thly Voted the Committee to Consist of Five

5thly Voted Edward Davis Esq^r, Col^o Jon^t Day, Maj^r Will^m Larned, D^r John E. Eaton, & Maj^r Nath^l Healy said Committee

6thly Voted to adjourn this Meeting for half an Hour

Met agreeable to adjournment

First The above Committee Laid their proposals Made to the Rev. M^r Johnson before the Town which are as Follows (Viz) For M^r Johnsons Yearly Sallery Eighty Pounds To be paid in the following manner (Viz) Thirty Pounds In Cash Ten pounds in Wood, Forty Pounds in Grain Estemating the grain as follows (viz) Wheat at Six Shillings p^r Bushel Rye at Four Shillings p^r Bushel & Indian Corn at Three Shillings p^r Bushel and the Wood to be In the Same proportion with the grain all to be Delivered at M^r Johnson's Dwelling-house in Dudly At or before the first day of March annually

2ndly Voted to acquiesce in the Committee's offers made to the Rev. M^r Joshua Johnson for his Yearly Sallery so long as he Performs the work of the Ministry with us

3rdly Voted to grant to the Rev. M^r Johnson as a Settlement Seventy pounds to Be paid in the following manner (Viz) Thirty Five pounds to be paid in Six Months & Thirty five pounds in Eighteen Months

4thly Voted Wednesday the First Day of Dec^r 1790 to be the Day for the Ordination of the Rev^d M^r Joshua Johnson of North Woodstock

5thly Voted the Rev^d M^r Williams West Woodstock, Rev^d M^r Russel Thompson, Rev. M^r Pain Sturbridge Rev. M^r Williams Northampton, Rev M^r Campbell Charlton, Rev M^r Mills Sutton, Rev. M^r Austin Worcester, Rev. M^r Lyman Woodstock Rev. M^r Atkins Killingly, to be the gentlemen to assist In the Installment of the Rev. Joshua Johnson

6thly Voted Doc^r John E. Eaton, Maj^r Nath^l Healy, And

L^t Thomas Larned to be a Committee to prepare For the Entertainment of the Counsell

Worcester SS To either of the Constables of The Town of Dudley in Said County Greeting



In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you or either of you are hereby directed forthwith to warn or notify the freeholders And other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley (duly qualified to Vote for a representative to meet at the meeting house in Said Town on Friday the Twenty Sixth of Nov^r Instant at One OClock P.M. then & there To act upon the following articles Viz

First To Vote for a person to Represent the County of Worcester in the Congress of the United States

2ndly To Choos a Moderator for the Remainder of Said Meeting

3rdly To see if the Town will Repair, or new build the Bridge over Quinabogue, by M^r Vintons.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon unto the Select-men on or before S^d Day. Dated at Dudly aforesaid this Nineteenth day of Nov^r 1790.

John Warren }
Isaac Lee } Selectmen
Thomas Larned }

Worcester SS 26 of Nov. 1790 In obedience to the within warrant I have warned the freeholders & other Inhabitants qualified to vote for a Representative to meet at time and place within by Setting this Warrant at our meeting house

Pr Jon^t Day Constable

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the town of Dudley Duly qualified agreeable to the Constitution to Vote for a Representative Regularly Assembled at the

Meeting house In Dudley on Friday the 26th of Nov^r 1790

First The Votes being Sorted and Counted the following Persons were Voted for Viz

Hon. Jonathan Grout Esq^r had 42 Votes

Artemus Ward Esq^r had 8 Ditto

2^{ndly} Voted Col^o Jon^t Day Moderator for the remainder of S^d Meeting

3^{rdly} Voted to Chuse a Committee of 3 to view the Bridge over quinabogue River by M^r Vintons & Report as soon as may be

4^{thly} Voted L^t John Warren L^t Thomas Larned & Co^{ll} Jon^t Day Said Committee

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Worcester SS. To either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in Said County Greeting.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed Forthwith to warn or notify the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Said Town of Dudley Qualified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at the Meeting House in S^d Town on Monday the Seventh Day of March Next at Nine OClock A. M. Then and there to act upon the Following articles Viz

First To vote and Choose a Moderator for S^d Meeting

2ly To Choose Town officers for the Year Ensuing as the Law Directs

3ly To See if the Town will agree to a Collector or Collectors of Taxes For the Year Ensuing he or they Procuring good Bondsmen

4ly To See if the town will let their Swine run at large the Ensuing Year

5^{thly} To grant money for our highways & Bridges this year & agree how the Same Shall be Expended

6^{thly} To Vote for a County Register for the County of Worcester agreeable to Law

7^{thly} To See what the Town will do with the action that M^r Elisha Corbin Brought against S^d Town



March
Warrant
For 1791

8^{thly} To see if the Town will allow the North-West School Ward In Dudley to appropriate their school money that is in Cons^{le} Walcots hands for Building a New School House

9^{thly} To See if the Town will agree that all Orders be Drawn on the Town Treasury

10^{thly} To see if the Town will appoint a Committee to Serch into the matter relative to some Some Soldiers Wages which they Expect is now Due to them

11ly To hear the report of the Committee relative to the Bridge over Quinaboge River.

Hereof fail not and make Due return of this Warrant with Your doings thereon unto the Select-men on or before S^d Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this fifttheenth day of Feb^y Anno Domini One Thousand Seven hundred & Ninety one

Jon ^t Day	} Select Men
John Eddy	
Isaac Lee	
Thomas Larned	

Worcester SS March 7th 1791 In obedience to the within Warrant I have warned the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley to meet at time and place within mentioned by seting up an attested Copy of This Warrant at the Meeting House the Usual place in Said Dudley.

James Walcot Constable

At a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley (qualified To Vote in Town affairs) Regularly assembled at the Meeting House in Dudley on Monday the Seventh Day of March AD 1791

First Voted Col^o Jon^t Day Moderator for Said Meeting

2^{ndly} Voted Cap^t John Chamberlain Town Clerk

3ly Voted to have 5 Selectmen this Year

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- 4ly Voted Col^o Jon^t Day First Select man
 5ly Voted Cap^t John Eddy Second D^o
 6ly Voted Leu^t Thomas Larned 3^d D^o
 7ly Voted L^t Ezekiel Brown 4th D^o
 8ly Voted M^r Isaac Lee 5th D^o
 9ly Voted M^r Simeon Wood Town Treasury
 10ly Voted to have 5 assessors the present Year
 11ly Voted L^t Ezekiel Brown First
 12ly Voted Cap^t John Chamberlain 2^d D^o
 13ly Voted D^r James Walcot 3rd D^o
 14ly Voted L^t Thomas Larned 4th D^o
 15ly Voted M^r Stephen Wood 5th D^o
 These men have taken the oaths Required By Law
 16ly Voted to have 2 Collectors this Year they Procuring
 Bondsmen
 17ly Voted James Walcot West End Collector he Bid-
 ding it off at 4½D On the pound & Cap^t John Eddy &
 L^t Ezekiel Brown ware Brought for S^d Walcots Bondsmen &
 accepted
 18ly Voted Timothy Corbin East End Collector he offer-
 ing to Serve Free of any Cost to the Town & Brought E.
 Davis Esqr. and M^r Jon^t Bacon for Bondsmen & Were ac-
 cepted
 19ly Voted the Collectors to Be Constables the year En-
 suing.
 Constables Sworn
 20ly Voted Nathal Healy Jr. & L^t Tim. Foster Jr Wardi-
 eans
 21ly Voted Stephen Healy & Will^m Foster Tythingmen
 22ly Voted Maj^r Nath^{el} Healy Sealer of Weights &
 Measures
 23ly Voted John Healy Sealer of Leather
 24ly Voted Josiah Hovey Culler of Lumber
 25ly Voted Luther Chamberlain & Eleazer Putney Jr
 Fence Viewers
 26ly Voted Royal Sayles, James Dyer, Will^m Vinton,
 L^t Jo Keith, L^t Jon^t Willard, Joseph Davis Jr, Daniel Ar-

nold, Thomas Morris, Daniel Sabin, Asa Curtis, and Moses Healy Highway Surveyors

27ly Voted to Let our swine run at large this year

28ly Voted Daniel Albee, Ezbon Carter, Daniel Wiman, Joel Wakefield, Pearly Stone & Joseph Upham Hog-reaves the present year

The Committee appointed to view the Bridge over Quinabogue River Report that is their opinion to Build the Bridge above the old one at that place that has been much talked of

29ly To put over the Matter about Raising money for our Highways and Bridges untill April meeting

30thly Voted for a County Register for the County of Worcester as follows (Viz)

For Co^l Daniel Clap 40 Votes

For Col^o Samuel Flagg 26 Do

31st Voted to Contest the matter in the Law with M^r E. Corbin

32ly Voted Edward Davis Esq^r agent for the Town of Dudley To Contest or Defend the Town against the action that M^r Elisha Corbin has Brought against S^d Town

33rd ly Voted to grant liberty to the North West School Ward to Draw Their School money in Doc^r James Walcot's hands for the use of Building a new School house

34ly Voted that all orders be Drawn on the Town Treasurer

35thly Voted To Choose a Committee of 3 to Search into the matter relative to Some Soldiers Wages

36ly Voted Col^o Jon^t Day, Edward Davis Esq^r & and Capt^t John Chamberlain Said Committee

37ly Voted to adjourn this Meeting untill aprill Meeting Meet agreeable to adjournment

1st Voted to put over the Matter about the Bridge of Quinaboge River untill may Meeting

2ndly Voted to choose a Committee to Inquire of M^r John Vinton the W^o Sarah Cheney, and Caleb Ammidown Esq What Conditions the Town may have a Road through their Land and also to know What Esq Ammidown will Do towards Building a Bridge over the River by M^{rs} Cheney's

- 3ly Voted the Committee to Consist of 5 Persons
 4ly Voted Cap^t John Eddy, Maj^r Nath^l Healy, L^t John Warren, Edward Davis Esqr. & D^r James Walcot S^d Committee
 5ly Voted £60 for the cost of our highways and Bridge this year
 the aforesaid officers have all Taken the oaths Requir'd by Law Except
 N. B. the highway work to be at 3 / per Day to the 1st of Oct^r Next
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April
 Warrant
 1791



Worcester SS. To Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in S^d County Greeting

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you or either of you are hereby Required Forthwith to warn or Notify the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Qualified to Vote for governours &c agreeable to the Constitution to meet at the Meeting House in Dudley on Monday the Fourth Day of April Next at Ten OClock A. M. Then and Their to act upon the Following articles viz

- First To Vote for a Governour
 2ly To vote for a Lieu^t Governour
 3ly To Vote for Counsellors & Senators agreeable to Law
 4ly To Choose a Moderator for the Remainder of S^d Meetinge
 5ly To vote for a County Treasurer for the County of Worcester
 6ly To Grant Money for Schooling for the Year Ensuing
 7ly To Choose School Committees for the Currant Year
 8ly For the Town to appropriate the Ministerial Money already assessed in the Constables hands to that Use which will be most advantageous
 9ly To See if the Town will Empower L^t Timo^s Foster Jr to Collect The remainder of the Taxes that is Due to Lemuel foster Cons^{le} From the East part of the Town

roly To See if the Town will grant money to pay Doc^r Will^m Glyson The arrears due to the Rev. Charles Gleason Late of Dudly Dec^d

11^y To abate Such Taxes as the Constables Exhibit on S^d Day that the Town Sees fitt

12^y To Choose a person to take Care of the Meeting House

Hereof fail not & make Due Return of this Warrant With your doings thereon unto the Selectmen at or before Said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this Twelfth day of March One Thousand Seven hundred & Ninety One

Jon ^t Eddy	} Selectmen
Tho ^s Larned	
Ezekel Brown	
Isaac Lee	

Worcester SS. April 4th 1791. By virtue of the within Warrant I have Notified the freeholders And other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Qualified Agreeable to the Constitution to Vote for Governours to Meet at Time & place within Mentioned by Setting Up this Warrant at the usual place in S^d Dudly as the Law Directs

Timo^y Corbin Constable of Dudly

At a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudly Regularly Assembled at the meeting house in Dudly on Monday the Fourth Day of April 1791.

- First Voted For a Governour as follows. (Vize
- For his Excellency John Hancock Esq^r 70 Votes
- 2^{ly} For Lieu^t Governour
- For His Hon^r Sam^l Adams Esq^r 58 D^o
- For Counsellors & Senators as follows (Vize
- Hon. Moses Gill 50 Votes
 - Abel Wilder 50 D^o
 - Jon^t Grout 40 D^o

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| John Fesenden | 40 D° |
| Amos Singletary | 27 D° |
| Timothy Newell | 14 D° |
| Jon ^t Warner | 10 D° |
| Sam ^{ll} Baker | 9 D° |
| and Dwight Foster Esq ^{rs} | 8 D° |
- 4^{ly} Voted Col^o Jon^t Day Moderator for the Remainder of Said Meeting
- 1^{ly} Voted for a County Treasurer as follows vize
For Sam^{ll} Allen 41 Votes
- 6^{ly} Voted £60 for Schooling the Present Year
- 7^{ly} Voted Lieu^t Keith, John Bracket, Luther Chamberlain L^t Jon^t Willard, John Healy, En. Lem. Healy, Thomas Cheney & L^t John Warren School Committees
- 8^{ly} Voted to appropriate the Ministerial Money already assessed in the Constables hands to pay the Settlement of the Rev. M^r Johnson
- 9^{ly} Voted Edward Davis Esq^r a Committee to Receive Donations that may be given by People out of Town for the Support of M^r Johnson
- 10^{ly} Voted to pass by the 9th article in the Warrant
- 11^{ly} Voted to Raise £55. to pay Doc^r Will^m Glysson The old arrears of the Rev. C. Gleason
- 12^{ly} Voted £16 to pay M^r Gleason for what he preached The last year of his life and also for what Neighbouring Ministers preached after his Decease
- 13^{ly} Voted To abate Jeans Brown Ministerial Poll Tax In Lem^{ll} Foster Hands
- 14^{ly} Voted to C^r Ephraim Corbin for Eb^r Kimballs Rats
12 / 0¹/₄
- 15^{ly} Voted to abate Sam^{ll} Pikes Rates In E. Corbins hand
9 / 6¹/₂
- 16^{ly} Voted David Nichols To Take Care of the Meeting House
- 17^{ly} Voted To abate Nath^{el} Fitts Rates in Cons. Will Smith Hands to Collect
This Meeting Dissolved
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Warrant



Worcester SS. To either of The Constables of the Town of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting

In the name of the Common-wealth of Massachusetts You or either of you are hereby Directed forthwith to warn or Notify the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley duly qualified to Vote for a Representative to meet at the Meeting-house in S^d Town on Monday the Second day of May next at one OClock P. M. then and there to act upon the Following articles (Viz)

First to Choose a person to Represent the Town of Dudley In the General Court of this Common-wealth to be holding in Boston on the Last Wednesday of may Next and from Session to Session whenever the Said Court Shall Sit for the year Ensuing

2ndly To choose a person for a moderator for the Remainder of S^d Meeting

3rdly To hear the Report of the Committee Chosen at April meeting last past to Enquire of Messrs. Obadiah Sabin, John Vinton & the W^o Sarah Cheney on what Condition the Town May have a Road through their Land and also to know what Encouragement Caleb Amidown Esq^r gives relative To the Building of a Bridge over Quinabogue River by M^{rs} Cheneys, and to act thereon as the Town See's fitt

4thly To See if the Town will allow or Grant to James Dyer & Others the Priviledge of their Drawing their School money

5thly To See if the Town will make Maj^r Nath^l Healy Some Sattisfaction for the Entertainment of the Council in the Settlement of the Rev. Joshua Johnson

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with Your doings thereon unto the Select-men on or before Said day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this Eighteenth Day Of April Anno Domini 1791.

Jonathan Day,	}	Selectmen
John Eddy		
Tho ^s Larned		
Ezekil Brown		
Isaac Lee		

Dudley Town Records, 1791.

Worcester SS. May 2^d 1791 By virtue of the within
Warrant I have notified the freeholders and other Inhabitants
of the Town of Dudley duly qualified to Vote for a Repre-
sentative to meet at time & place within Mentioned by Setting
up this Warrant at the usual Place in S^d Dudley

p^r me Tim^y Corbin Constable of Dudley

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of The
Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at the Meeting House
in S^d Town on Monday the 2^d Day of May 1791.

First Voted and made Choice of Cap^t John Chamberlain
to Represent the Town at the general Court

2^{ly} Voted Col^o Jon^t Day Moderator for the Rem^r of
S^d Meeting

The Committee Reporting Concerning the Bridges &c.

3^{ly} Voted to Repair the Old Bridge By m^r J. Vintons

4^{ly} Voted to request the Selectmen to lay out a Road from
The Widow Cheney's to Charlton line meaning on the West
Side of the line Between M^r John Vintons & the W^o Cheanys
and the Road to be opened & kept In good Repair as soon as
their is a Bridge Erected over The River by Individuals & the
road to Continue So long as the Proprietors keep the Bridge
in good Repair and no Longer.

5^{ly} Voted to Grant James Dyer, Thom^s Dyer & Theoder
Marcy The Priviledge of Drawing their School money untill
Further orders from the Town

6^{ly} Voted to put over the matter of Maj^r Healys Request
untill the next meeting

Worcester SS. To either of the Constables of the Town
of Dudley In the County of Worcester Greeting

In the name of the Common-wealth of Massachusetts You
or either of you are hereby required forthwith to warn or No-
tify the freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Dud-

ley qualified to Vote in Town affairs To meet at the meeting house in S^d Town on Monday the Nineteenth day of this Instant Sep^t at One OClock P. M. Then and there to act upon the following Articles Viz

First To choose a Moderator for Said Meeting

2ndly For the Town to Give the Assessors some particular instructions Respecting the assessing the Ministerial Rate

3rdly For the Committee to make Report to the Town of what Donations are Given towards M^r Johnson's Salery

4thly To hear our Agent respecting our Law Suites if he pleaseth to exhibit any thing

5thly For the town to take into further Consideration the Bridge Over Quinabogue River by M^r Vintons

6thly To grant money for the necessary Charges of the Town the present Year

7thly To abate Such Taxes as the Constables Exhibit on S^d Day That the Town Sees fitt

8thly To hear the Report of the Committee respecting the Six & Three months men's Wages for the Year 1780 And Act thereon as is most Expedient

Hereof fail not and make due return Of this warrant with Your doings unto the Selectmen on or Before Said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this fifth Day of Sep^t AD 1791.

Jonathan Day	}	Selectmen
John Eddy		
Thomas Larned		
Ezekeil Brown		
Isaac Lee		

Worcester SS. Sep^t 19th 1791. In obedience to the within Warrant I have warned the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley to meet at time & place within Mentioned By Setting up an Attested Copy of this Warrant at the Usual Place in Said Dudley

James Walcot Constable



Dudley Town Records, 1791.

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at the meeting house in Said Town on Monday the 19th day of Sep^r 1791.

First Voted Col^o J. Day Moderator for S^d Meeting

2^{ly} Voted to assess the ministerial Tax as they were assessed The Last Year

3rd Edward Davis Esq^r enter'd his Protest against the Vote

4^{ly} Voted to Grant & Rai^se 80£ for Necessary Charges

5^{ly} Voted to Pass over the 7th Article

6^{ly} Voted to put over hearing the report of the Committee respecting the Six & 3 Months men's Wages untill the Next Meeting

7^{ly} Voted that Our Agent produce the particulars of the Law Suits and lay the Same before the Town at their Next Meeting

Worcester SS. To either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting

In the name of the Common-wealth of Massachusetts You or either of You are hereby required forthwith to warn or notify The freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet at the meeting house in Said Town on Monday the Seventh Day of Nov^r Next at One OClock P. M. Then and there to act upon the following Articles (Viz)

First To Choos a Moderator for Said Meeting

2^{ndly} To See if the Town will Rebuild the Bridge over Quinabogue River By M^r Vintons or act thereon as the Town thinks Most Expedient

3^{rdly} For our Agent Respecting the Law Suits against the Town To Exhibit the Particulars of all Costs that have arisen in Consequence of Said Suits Agreeable to a Vote of the last meeting.

4^{ly} To grant money to Pay the Rev. Joshua Johnson's Salary that Becomes Due the first Day of Dec^r Next

Hereof fail not and make due Return of this Warrant with Your doings thereon unto the Selectmen on or before Said day Dated at Dudley Aforesaid this Twenty-Fourth day of Oct^r In the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and Ninety One

Jonathan Day }
Thomas Larned } Selectmen
Isaac Lee }

Worcester SS. Nov^r 7th 1791. I have warned the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet at Time and Place within mentioned by Setteing up this Warrant at the Usual Place in Dudley

Tim^y Corbin Constable

At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants Of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at the meeting House in Dudley on Monday the 7th of Nov^r 1791

1st Voted Col^o Jon^t Day Moderator for Said meeting

2ndly Voted to Rebuild the bridge over Quinabogue River by M^r Vintons

3rdly Voted that the Expence of Said Bridge be Paid in Town orders

4^{ly} Voted to let the Jobb of Rebuilding S^d Bridge out to M^r Thomas Cheney upon the following Conditions (vize) the Bridge to be Built of White Oak Timber or Chesnut and to Contain five String pieces Two at least to go the Whole length between the Butments With Good plank. 14 feet long with Good King posts & Sufficient pillanes.* all the above mentioned work to be done and Compleatly finished by the first of May Next For which Sarvices the above mentioned Cheney is to Receive Fifteen Pounds

5^{ly} Voted to Pass by the 4th article in the Warrant Edward Davis Esq^r Entered his Protest against the above Vote

* Probably purlins.—ED.

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Worcester SS To either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley In the County of Worcester Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts You or either of you are hereby directed to warn or Notify the freeholders & Other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley (duly Qualified to Vote in Town affairs) to meet at the Meeting house in Dudley on Fryday the Eighteenth day of this Instant at One OClock P. M. then and there to act upon the following articles Viz

First to Vote for a Moderator for S^d Meeting

2^{ly} To Chuse a Constable & Collector in the Room & Stead of Doe^r James Walcot who is under Necessaty of being absent Which will prevent the Collections of Taxes by S^d Walcot

3^{ly} To see if the Town will Request the Selectmen to Lay out a Road From Cap^t John Eddys to M^r Joseph Vintons meaning from The road by Cap^t John Eddys to the Road Leading from Dudley To Sturbridge not far from S^d M^r Vintons

4^{ly} To Abate Such taxes as the Constables Exhibit on S^d day that the Town Sees fit

5^{thly} To hear the Petion of John Fenner Esq^r and others respecting the Six months men Wages in the Year 1780

Hereof fail not and make due Return of this Warrant with Your doings thereon unto the Selectmen On or before Said day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this Seventh Day of Nov^r 1791.

Jonathan Day	} Selectmen
John Eddy	
Thomas Larned	
Ezekiel Brown	
Isaac Lec	

Worcester SS. November 18th 1791. In Obedience to the within Warrant I have Warned the freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley To meet at time and place within mentioned By Setting up this Warrant at the Usual place in Dudley

James Walcot Constable

At a meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley quallified to Vote in Town affairs regularly assembled at the meeting house in S^d Town on Fryday the 18th day of Nov^r 1791.

First Voted Col^o Jon^t Day moderator

2^{ly} Voted to Excuse Doc^r James Walcot as Serving Constable and Collector the Present year The Constable & Collector birth being Set up at Vendue M^r Ezbon Carter bidd it off at Three Pence half penny on the pound

3^{ly} Voted to request the Selectmen to Lay out a Road from Cap^t John Eddys to m^r Joseph Vintons

4^{ly} Voted to abate John Barnes Senior Minister rate in Walcot hands 5 / 0

5^{ly} Voted to accept of M^r Joseph Allen & M^r Moses Healy as Bondsmen for Ezbon Carter Constable & Collector Voted to C^r Asa Robinson for all Taxes unpaid due to him from John Heath

6^{ly} Voted to C^r James Walcot for Jacob Dailys Rates to the amount 5 / 11

7^{ly} Voted to C^r Lem^{ll} Foster For Tom^s Ingrams Rates to the amount of 12 / 2

Meeting Dessolved

Worcester SS. To either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley Greeting you are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn

the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of s^d Town quallified by law to vote in Town affairs (viz) Such as pay To one single Tax besides the poll or polls, a Sum Equal To two thirds of a Single poll tax) to meet and assemble at the meeting house in Said Dudley on Monday the Fifth Day of March Next at Nine OClock A.M.

To act on the Following articles (viz)

First To Choose a Moderator for said meeting

2^{ly} To choose Town officers for the Year ensuing agreeable To Law

3^{ly} To hire a Constable or Constables and Collectors for the year Ensuing on such terms as the Town shall think best

4^{ly} To see if the Town will let their swine run at large The Current year

5^{ly} To grant money for schooling the ensuing Year

6^{ly} To choose School Committees if the Town sees fitt

7^{ly} For the Town to accept of the roads layed out by the Selectmen the Year past if the Town thinks best

8^{ly} To Grant money for our highways & Bridges the Currant year and agree how the Same shall be expended

9^{ly} To grant money for Necessary Charges of said Town if needed

10^{ly} To see if the Town will agree that a Number of Inhabitants That are about to build a Large school house in the midty of the Town may draw their money or act thereon as the Town sees fitt

11^{ly} To heare the request of M^r Elisha Corbin respecting some Dudley Land and act thereon as the Town sees fitt.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings theron unto the Selectmen on or before said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this Seventeenth Day of Feb^y 1792

Jon ^a Day	}	Selectmen of Dudley
John Eddy		
Tho ^s Larned		

Worcester SS. March 5th 1792 In obedience to the within Warrant I have warned the Freeholders and other inhabitants of said Town quallified by Law to Vote in Town affairs to meet at time and place within mentioned by setting up a True copy of this Warrant at the usual Place in S^d Dudley

Pr me Timothy Corbin Constable of Dudley

At a meeting of the Freeholders and other inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at the Meeting House in S^d Town on Monday the Fifth Day of March 1792

First Voted and Choose Col^o Jona. Day Moderator for the S^d Meeting

2^{ly} Voted Cap^t John Chamberlain Town Clerk who is Sworn

3^{ly} Voted to have 5 Selectmen the Currant year

4^{ly} Voted Col^o Jon^a Day First Select man

5^{ly} Voted Cap^t John Eddy 2^d D^o

6^{ly} Voted Lieut Thom. Larned 3^d D^o

7^{ly} Voted M^r Isaac Lee 4th D^o

8^{ly} Voted Lieut Ezekiel Brown 5th D^o

9^{ly} Voted to have 5 assessors the Ensuing Year

10^{ly} Voted Lieut Ezekiel Brown First assessor

11^{ly} Voted Cap^t John Chamberlain 2^d D^o

12^{ly} Voted Lieut John Warren 3^d D^o

13^{ly} Voted Col^o Jon^a Day 4th D^o

14^{ly} Voted Lieut Thomas Larned 5th D^o

These officers are Sworn to the faithfull performance of their Trust

15^{ly} Voted M^r Simeon Wood Town Treasurer

16^{ly} Voted Col^o Jon^a Day Constable and Collector for the East part of the Town he the S^d Day being the loest bidder he biding it at one penny p^r Pound

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- 17^{ly} Voted M^r John Albee West End Constable & Collector he the S^d Albee Giving one Shilling for the Berth
- 18^{ly} Voted Lieut John Curtis and M^r Royal Sayles Bondsmen For the performance of John Albee Cons. & Coll^r
- 19^{ly} Voted Lieut. Thomas Larned & M^r Simeon Wood Bondsmen For the aforesaid Day Cons. & Coll^r
- 20^{ly} Voted John Vorce & Reuben Ammidown Wardians
- 21^{ly} Voted Stephen Healy, & Lieut^r Tim Foster Jr. Tythingmen
- 22^{ly} Voted Major Nath^l Healy Sealer of Weights & Measures
- 23^{ly} Voted John Healy Sealer of Leather
- 24^{ly} Voted Josiah Hovey Culler of Lumber
- 25^{ly} Voted Joseph Arnold & L^t John Curtis Fence Viewers
- 26^{ly} Voted Joseph Vinton Jr. John Gore, David Nichols Lem^{el} Healy, John Bracket, Stephen Wood, Cap^t Corbin, L^t J. Curtis Eleazer Putney J^r Thomas Morriss Jared Freeman & Cap^t John Eddy Highway Surveyors
- 27^{ly} Voted to let their Swine run at large the Ensuing Year
- 28^{ly} Voted Jon^a Kingsbury Simeon Wakefield, Will^m Barker Reuben Ammidown and Sam^{el} Chamberlain Hog-rears
- 29^{ly} Voted to grant and Raise Sixty pounds for Schooling this year
- 30^{ly} Voted to Choose School Committees the Currant Year
- 31^{ly} Voted Reuben Ammidown, Jon^t Day Lieut^r Curtis, Jedidiah Corbin, John Healy, Stephen Healy Ephraim Willard & Doc^r J. E. Eaton School Committees
- 32^{ly} Voted to grant & Raise Sixty pounds for the Cost of the Highways & Bridges the ensuing year and the money to be expended at three shillings p^r Day from the first of May to the Last of Sep^t following
- 33^{ly} Voted to put by the 10th article in the warrant untill

34^{ly} April Meeting and a Committee appointed to view the Situation of the School Districts and report at the april Meeting

35^{ly} Voted to have the Committee Consist of 5 persons

36^{ly} Voted Lieut. Jon^a Willard, John Chamberlain David Nichols John Bracket & Lieut. Joseph Kieth Said Committee

37^{ly} Voted to have the 11th article in the warrant Subside Meeting Disolved

A Road lay'd out by the Selectmen Nov. 1791

Begining at the Corner of the wall east of the School house near M^r Jos. Vintons thence runing Southardly as the wall now stands to the southwest Corner of the orchard East of s^d Vintons house From thence running southardly as the road is Now trod to a Stake & Stones by a wall thence running Southardly To a Black oak Tree marked thence Southardly to a black oak Tree near the Northwest Corner of M^r Joseph Vinton J^r House thence Southardly to a Bass wood Tree marked Thence Southardly to a Walnut Tree marked on the Edge Of Cap^t John Eddy's Land Thence Southardly to a Black Oak Tree marked thence Southardly to a Stake & Stones By the road west of Said Eddys house Said road to be Two Rods Wide and all the Bounds to be on the East Side of Said Road

Jon ^a Day	}	Selectmen
Tho ^s Larned		
Ezekil Brown		
Isaac Lee		

The above mentioned road was layed before the Town at their March meeting 1792 for Their acceptance and it was accepted on this Condition That the people where Said road goes through their land Shall have Two Years to fence out Said road

16 In favour 10 against the acceptance

One other Road layed out be the Selectmen in Dec^r 1791 as follows Begining at the river by Caleb Ammidous Stone wall from thence to the road already Layed out from the W^o Sarah Cheney's to Jos. Vintons Bridge Thence North-

ardly from Said Amidowns Wall on the Land of S^d Sarah Cheney two Rods from the line of John Vintons land to a large rock near where the road is now Trod From thence to a White pine Tree

Thence Northwestardly to a larg Old white pine tree on land of John Ammidown From thence Straight to a heap of Stones all the boundaries from Ammidowns Wall to the bounds last mentioned are on the East and Southardly Side of the road Thence from the bounds last mentioned to the line of John Vintons Land then by S^d Vintons land to a Small white pine Tree at Charlton line the road to be on Said Ammidowns Land to be Two rods wide

This Road layed before the Town for their acceptance at march meeting 1792. and the Town accepted of the Road on the Terms of a former Vote on the Subject of Individuals bilding a Bridge over the river

Ditto

Road layed out by the Selectmen March 2^d 1792 Begining at the South East Corner of L^t Edmands Barn Yard wall thence Southardly to a stake at Woodstock line Distance about Twenty five rods Said road to be Two Rods Wide and Bounded on the Eastardly Side of S^d Road

Jon ^t Day	}	Selectmen
John Eddy		
Tho ^s Larned		
Ezekiel Brown		
Isaac Lee		

This road was accepted by the Town March 5th 1792

Worcester SS. To either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley Greeting you are hereby commanded in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to warn or notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley duly qualified agreeable to the Constitution to vote for a Governour &c. to meet and assemble at the meeting house in

said Town on Monday the second day of April at one OClock P. M. Then & there to act upon the following articles (viz)

First To vote for a Governour Lieut. Governour Counsellors and Senators according to the Constitution

2^{ly} To choose a Moderator for the remainder of said meeting

3^{ly} To vote for a County Treasurer for the County of Worcester

4^{ly} To see if the Town will Reconsider their vote in the acceptance of a Road layed out by the Selectmen from the School house by M^r Vintons to Cap^t John Eddys passed at the last march meeting

5^{ly} To hear the Report of the Committee relative to the accomodation of the School in Said Town

6^{ly} To see if the Town will dispose of the one half of the Pew spot that was formaly Benj^a Newells to M^r David Nichols he having purchased the building of M^r Jeremiah Haskel

7^{ly} Also the Pew spot that formaly belonged to Eb^r Bacon to Tufts and Barker they having purchased the building of M^r John Day

For the Town to abate such Taxes as the Constables exhibit on said Day that the Town sees fitt

Hereof fail not and make Due Return of this Warrant with your doings thereon unto the Selectmen on or before Said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this Nineteenth day of March Anno Domini one Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-Two

Jon ^a Day,	}	Selectmen
John Eddy		
Tho ^s Larned		
Isaac Lee		
Ezekiel Brown		

Worcester April 2^d 1792. In obedience to the within warrant I have warned and notified The freeholders and other Inhabitants qualified by the Constitution To vote for a Gov^r

&c and other Town affairs to meet and assemble at time and place within mentioned by setting up this Warrant at the usual place in Dudley

Jon^a Day Constable

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Legally assembled at the meeting house in Said Town on Monday the 2^d Day of April 1792

First The Votes being brought in for a Gov: were as follows

For his Excellency John Hancock Esq^r 81 Votes

Lieu^t Gov^r

For his Hon^r Samuel Adams Esq^r 63 D^o

Edward Davis Esq^r 3 D^o

Counsellors & Senators as follows

For the Hon. Abel Wilder 71 Votes

John Fescenden 58 D^o

Salem Town 57 D^o

Martin Kinsley 58 D^o

Josiah Sterns Esq^{rs} 58 D^o

Moses Gill 14 D^o

Sam^{el} Baker 13 D^o

Jonathan Warner 13 D^o

Timothy Newell 13 D^o

2^{ly} Voted Col^o Jon^a Day Moderator for the remainder of Meeting

Voted for a County Treasurer as follows (viz)

For Sam^{el} Allin Esq^r 40 Votes

4^{ly} Voted not to Reconsider the vote respecting the Road by M^r Vintons

5^{ly} Voted to put by the matter respecting the School affairs untill may meeting and add to the present Committee on the Subject Capt. John Eddy & John Healy and they to make Report at May meeting

6^{ly} Voted to pass by the matter respecting the Pews

7^{ly} Voted to abate Abner Mellins Minister Rate in the Constables hands 8 / 3

8^{ly} Voted to abate Elijah Humphreys Minister Rate in Cons^r Day's hands to Collect 9 / 2

9^{ly} Voted to abate Rufus Newells Taxes in Con. Smith hands

Meeting Dissolved

Worcester SS. To Jonathan Day one of the Constables of the Town of Dudley Greeting

You are hereby required in the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the male Inhabitants of Said Town being Twenty One Years of age and Resident in Said Town for the space of one Year next preceeding having a freehold estate to the Value of Sixty pounds or any Estate of the Income of Three pounds annually to Meet and assemble at the Meeting house in Dudley on Monday the Seventh Day of May Next at one OClock in the afternoon

1st for the purpose Of Choosing a Representative to Represent them at the General Court appointed to be convened and held at Boston on the Last Wednesday of May Next

2^{ly} To Choose a Moderator for the Remainder of Said meeting

3^{ly} To hear the Report of the Committee respecting The accommodation of the several School Destricts In said Town

4^{ly} To see if the Town appoint a Committee to Confer with M^r Joseph Vinton respecting the Road layed out by the Selectmen through his land and if posable to Save Cost to the Town

5^{ly} To hear the Report of the Committee that was chosen To Receive Donations towards the Support of the Rev. J. Johnson and act thereon as the Town see's fitt

6^{ly} To See if the Town will agree that all Denominations of Christians Except the Denomination called The Standing order or Congregationalists may be Exempted from

Ministerial Taxation and if Not agreed to, to grant the privilege of the Meeting House to those other Denominations agreeable to their Estates

Hereof fail not and make due return of This Warrant with Your doings thereon unto the Selectmen on or before Said day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this Twenty Third Day of April Anno Domini One Thousand Seven hundred And Ninety Two

Jonathan Day	} Selectmen
Thomas Larned	
Isaac Lee	

Worcester SS. May 7th 1792 In obedience to the within Warrant I have warned The freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualified agreeable to the Constitution to Vote for a Representative and other Town officers To meet and assemble at time and place within Mentioned by Setting up this Warrant at the Usual Place in Dudley

Jonathan Day Constable

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at the Meeting house in Dudley on Monday the Seventh Day of May 1792.

First Voted and Chose Capt. John Chamberlain To represent them at the General Court

2^{ly} Voted Col^o Jon^t Day Moderator for the Remainder of Said Meeting

3^{ly} Voted to accept the Report of the committee respecting The Several School Districts as it now Stands Reference To the Report on the Next page Will fully appear

4^{ly} Voted to Choose a Committee of 3 persons to Confer with M^r Joseph Vinton respecting the Road Layed out by the Selectmen

5^{ly} Voted Major W^m Larned, M^r Jacob Warren & Deacon Nathan Jeffords Said Committee

6^{ly} Voted to Excuse Esq^r Davis as Serving as a Committee To Receive Donations for the support of the Rev. J. Johnson

7^{ly} Voted And Chose M^r David Nichols M^r Joseph Allen and Cap^t Sam^{el} Healy a Committee to Receive Ministerial Donations

8^{ly} Voted that all Denominations of Christians (Except The Standing Order so Called be Exempted from Ministerial Taxation Yeas 51. Nays 38. Edward Davis then Entered his Dissent Against the last Mentioned Vote

See the Next page for the School affairs

Dudley May 7th 1792 The Committee appointed at March & April meeting To take into Consideration the several School wards in The Town and also to take into consideration the Expedency of their being a Large and Convenient School House by the meeting house on the Condition hereafter mentioned. Ask leave to report the following agreement of your Committee

As to the School house by or near the meeting house In Dudley it is our opinion that it will be of a publick benefit providing the School is Considered as a Publick School so long as the Publick money lasts and no longer And all the Persons Included in this Ward to be at the Cost of building the School House and no others

and the outlines of the Said Ward to be as Follows (viz) on the West M^r Stephen Healy and L^t John Lawtons North-easterly from S^t Lawtons to Doc^r John E. Eatons from thence to Tim^y Corbins From thence to Joshua Corbins and then to Capt^t Corbins Jedediah Corbins From thence to Jon^a Bacon and then to Will^m Fisher from thence to El^r Foster's From thence on Connecticut Line to m^r Stephen Healy's aforementioned Including all Within these out lines with the Persons aforementioned As outlines

as to the ward on the West Side of Quinabogue River it is our opinion to Divide Said Ward In the following manner from M^r Joseph Vinton Jr.s up the river if he the S^d Vinton Chooses to go to that Ward to the small Ward

hereafter mentioned and from Said Vintons to M^r Benj^a Stones and all North of this Line to make a district

As to the small District aforementioned We will name them Josiah Barnes, Lt. Ezekiel Brown, Phineas Whitney, Nathan Brown, the Farm Late belonging to Cap^t Stephen Comans, Joseph Inman, L^t Ebe^r Edmunds, John Edmunds, John Eddy, John Haskell & Royal Sayles Lieut Tim^o Foster Senior and M^r Simeon Wood to be set In the East Ward, and M^r Tho^s Morris's to be set In the Ward by Jon^a Willard's J^r Those living in the North East part of the Town not included in this Report to be a Seperate ward by themselves

And as the Situation of the Wards are such we think It Expedient for each and every ward to draw their Own Money

All of which is Humbly Submitted

Jon ^a Willard	} Committee
John Chamberlain	
David Nichols	
John Bracket	
Joseph Kieth	
John Healy	
John Eddy	

Worcester SS. To either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley In Said County of Worcester Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you or either of you are hereby directed forthwith to warn or notify the freeholders & other Inhabitants of town of Dudley duly qualified to vote for a Representative to the General Court of this Commonwealth to meet and assemble at the meeting house in S^d Town on Fryday the Second day of Nov^r Next at One of The Clock in the afternoon

First to give in their Votes for four persons To Represent the Second District in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Comprehending the Counties of Worcester Hampshire & Berkshire in the Congress of the United States of whom one

at least Shall be an Inhabitant or resident in each of those Counties

2^{ly} To Choose a Moderator for the Remainder of Said Meeting

3^{ly} For the Town to Pass some Resolution respecting the Bridge over the French river near M^r Fosters. if they see cause

4^{ly} To see if the Town will grant & Raise money To pay the Rev. Joshua Johnson that becomes due the first of December next

Hereof fail not & make due return of This Warrant with your doings thereon Unto the Selectmen on or before Said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid this Tenth Day of Oct^r One Thousand Seven hundred & Ninety Two

By order of the Selectmen

John Chamberlain Town Clerk

Worcester SS. Dudley Nov^r 2^d 1792. In obedience to the within warrant I have Warned The frecholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualified agreeable to the Constitution To vote for a Representative to meet and assemble at time & place within mentioned by Setting up an attested Copy of this warrant at the usual place in Dudley

P^r Jonathan Day Constable

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualified agreeable to the Constitution to vote for a Representative Regularly assembled on Fryday the 2^d of Nov^r, 1792 at the Close of the poll for the Choice of Federal Representatives the votes were found to be as follows (viz)

For Charles Jarvis Esq ^r	42	Votes for the 3 ^d district
Hon. Theodore Sedwick*	42	D ^o for this district
Jonathan Grout	40	D ^o for the County of Wor
Sam ^{el} Lyman	42	D ^o for the County of Ham
Thompson J. Skinner	42	D ^o for the County of Berks
James Sullivan	1	D ^o for the 3 ^d districts

* Sedgwick.—ED.

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Artemas Ward	3 D ^o for Worcester Coun
Sam ^{el} Lyman	1 D ^o for this destrict
Theodore Sedwich	1 D ^o for Berkshire
Will ^m Lyman	1 D ^o for Hampshire

Votes for Electors are as follows (viz)

Hon. Simeon Strong	17 Votes
Thompson I. Skimmer	25 Do
Hon. Abel Wilder	17 Votes
Samuel Flagg	25 Votes
Martin Kinsley	25 D ^o
Samuel Fowler	9 D ^o
David Smead Esqr	9 D ^o

2 Voted L^t John Warren Moderator for the remainder of Said Meeting

3^{ly} Voted to build the Bridge over the French river By M^r Fosters and that the Same be Set up at the loest bider for to be built

Conditions of Sale are these

The bridge to be built of good White Oak Timber or Chesnut and to have 5 String pieces Sufficient For such a bridge with good King posts and to be Covered with Plank 14 feet long and 2 inches Thick after Seasoned and to be Completely finished by the Second day of Jan. Next and the money To be paid when the Work is done Col^o Jonathan Day bidding Nine pound Seventeen Shillings and being the loest bidder It was Struck off to him on the above Conditions

4^{ly} Voted not to grant & raise any money to pay The Rev. Joshua Johnson

Meeting disolved.

Worcester SS. To either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley In the County of Worcester Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you or either of you are hereby directed forthwith to warn or notify

the freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley duly Qualified to Vote in Town affairs to meet & Assemble at the Meeting House in Said Town on Wednesday the Twenty Eighth Day of this Instant at one of the Clock in the afternoon Then & there to act upon the following articles (Viz)

First to Choose a Moderator for Said meeting

2^{ly} To see if the Town will adopt some method with Regard to the Support of the ministry in Said Town and agree on some plan for the payment of the Salery annually due to the Rev. Joshua Johnson Or act upon any matter respecting the Ministerial affairs that will be Conducive of the best and most Lasting hapiness & welfair of Said Town

3^{rdly} To Choose a School Committee man in the N. E. Ward

4^{ly} To see if the Town will Set off Jona. Bacon Lem^l Corbin Jedediah Corbin & Jephthah Bacon to the N. E. Ward In Said Town if they see fitt

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon unto the Selectmen on or befor Said day

Dated at Dudley aforesaid this Tenth Day of Nov^r in the Year of our Lord One Thousand 792

By order of the Selectmen

John Chamberlain Town Clerk

Worcester SS. Nov^r 28th 1792. In obedience to the within warrant I have Warned the freeholders and other Inhabitants qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet at the Time & place appointed by Setting up this warrant at the usual place.

pr me Jonathan Day Constable

At a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley Regularly assembled at the meeting-House in Dudley on Wednesday the Twenty Eighth Day of Nov^r 1792

First voted Col^o Jon^a Day Moderator

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2^{ly} Voted to direct the Assessors to assess all the Persons with their Estates to the Support of the Rev. Joshua Johnson that do actually belong To the Congregationalist and the Said Society (Meaning the Said Congregational Society) to Indemnify the assessors from law Suits if any person or persons bring in Consequence of the ministerial Taxes being made as above mentioned

3^{ly} Voted Lieut Joseph Kieth School Committee

4^{ly} Voted to pass over the 4th Article in the Warrant Meeting Disolved

Worcester SS. to Either of the Constables of the Town of Dudley in the County of Worcester Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts You or either of you are required to warn or notify the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley duly qualified to vote for a Representative to the General Court of this Commonwealth to assemble at the meeting House in S^d Town on Monday the fourteenth day of this instant at one of the Clock in the afternoon to give in their votes for a Representative that is an Inhabitant in the County of Hampshire and also for another Representative being an Inhabitant in Either of the Counties of Hampshire Worcester or Berkshire which Comprehends the Second Destrict to Represent the said Destrict in the Congress of the United States of America

Hereof fail not and make Due Return of this warrant with Your doings thereon Unto the Selectmen on or before Said Day Dated at Dudley aforesaid This first day of Jan. in the year of our Lord one Thousand Seven hundred and Ninety Three

By order of the Selectmen

John Chamberlain Town Clerk

Worcester SS. Dudley Jan. 14th 1793 In obedience to the within warrant I have warned the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley qualified to Vote in Town

affairs by Setting up this warrant at the usual place as the Law directs.

Pr me Jonathan Day Constable

At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley regularly assembled at the meeting House in Dudley on Monday the 14th Day of Jan. 1793

at the Close of the Poll the Votes were found to be as follows (viz)

Hon. Jonathan Grout Esq ^r	37 Votes Destrict
Sam ^{el} Lyman	47 Votes for Hamp.
Dwight Foster	9 for the Destrict
Thompson I. Skinner	1 for Destrict

Meeting Desolved

To the Selectmen of the Town of Dudley I the Subscriber not having anything for maintainance being under Needy Circumstances humbly request your assistance

his
Caleb x Pond
mark
Caleb Pond
Complaint.

Dudley April 18th 1793.

Nathan Sly
Roo^t Dalrimple

March 19th 1794 at the request of Two M^r Howards the Subscribers Selectmen went and Preambulated the Line be-
ginning at a Tree & Stones about where the brook runs out of
Chaole M. G. Pond on the East Side of Said brook from
thence S. 20° E. to a Maple Tree on the South End of
Said pond on the West Side of a Pine Marked on the South
Side with 1794 & J. C. frome Thence the Same Course 47
Rods to a Stone Monument a Little S. W. of an old Stack of
Chimnies it being the S. E. Corner of Dudly From thence W.

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7° N. bordering on Connecticut Line 252 R. to Capt. J.
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John Chamberlain
Ezbon Carter
John Healy

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