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Nottingham Township, New Jersey  
Minute Book 1692-1710; 1752-1772



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## NOTTINGHAM TOWNSHIP

This is a printing of a copy of the original Nottingham Township Minute Book made in 1876 by Charles R. Hutchinson.

The whereabouts of the original book is at present unknown.

The first official appearance of the name "Nottingham Township" occurs in "Burlington County Court Minutes," when, on November 6, 1688, the court established boundaries of the various townships of Burlington County. Nottingham at that time was bounded as follows: "From Crosswicks Creek and river northward up the river so far as present inhabited."

The name Nottingham is attributed to Isaac Watson, one of the first settlers, who came from Nottingham, England.

The incorporation of Hopewell Township in 1700 made the Assunpink Creek the northerly boundary of Nottingham Township, with the Delaware River on the West, the Province line on the East and the Crosswicks Creek on the South.

In 1838, Mercer County was created, including within its borders Nottingham Township.

In 1840 the Borough of South Trenton was incorporated and taken out of Nottingham Township. The Borough of South Trenton was annexed to the City of Trenton in 1851. This Borough included the districts known as Mill Hill (which formerly was Kingsbury and Kensington Hill) and Bloomsbury.

In 1842 Nottingham Township was divided into Hamilton Township and Nottingham Township, the latter consisting of the strip of land between the Delaware and Raritan Canal and the Delaware River, from Crosswicks Creek to the border of South Trenton.

What was left of Nottingham Township was "extinguished" April 14, 1856. The upper part, known as Lambertton, was annexed to the City of Trenton, and the remainder to Hamilton Township.

## A COPY OF THE MINUTE BOOK OF NOTTINGHAM TOWNSHIP, FROM ITS FORMATION IN 1692 TO 1710<sup>1</sup>

1692

Att a Towne Meeting holden at the House of William (Blanch) for the townshipp of Nottingham, the seaventh day of the twelfth month, Anno 1692.

Whearas complaint hath been made by the Constable of Nottingham, that by reason of the neglect of some and the backwardness of others the said Constable is exposed to great trouble and charge, and expence of time, and at last a disappointment and hinderance of Busines—Therefore wee whose names are hereunto subscribed, being sensible of the same, and to prevent the like trouble charge and disapointment for the time to come, do agree by mutual consent that whosoever shall for the time to come absent themselves after timely notice given by the said Constable, shall be lyable to be fined at the discretion of the said Towne Meeting, excepting the absenting person or persons shall give such sufficient reasons as shall seem valid to the said Townes Meeting.

William Watson  
Thomas Tindall  
Thomas Gilberthorp  
Samuel Overton  
Robert Pearson  
John Milborne  
Robert Murfin  
Hugh Hutchin  
James Pharo  
Isaac Watson  
John Abbat

Mahlon Stacy  
Thomas Lambert ✓  
Anthony Woodward  
William Quicksall  
John Lambert  
John Wilsford, Junior  
Joshua Ely  
John Rogers  
William Emley  
Benjamin Maple

Signed by me, Mahlon Stacy, Commis<sup>r</sup>

<sup>1</sup>See Editorial Notes.

A  
974.965  
1692

1693 The 21<sup>st</sup> day of the Seaventh month—

Agreed then by the Respective persons whose names are above written, that Thomas Gilberthorpe and Thomas Tindall shall personally or otherwise by their Knowne Deputys give Lawfull Notice to the respective Inhabitants of the Townshipp of Nottingham, cum Membris, when publique and Necessary occasions shall require.

1694 Robert Pearson chosen Constable and recieved  
2<sup>d</sup> Mon then of the Towns mony o<sup>f</sup>: 19<sup>s</sup>, 01<sup>d</sup>  
16, day

1694/5 Att a Towns Meeting holden then at the House  
11, Mon of Mahlon Stacy, by the inhabitants of the said  
25, day Townshipp of Nottingham, cum membris, William Hixson of the same was chosen Constable for the ffollowing year.

And the said Inhabitants at the same meeting holden on the day and yeare abovesaid, in the place aforesaid ffor the Defraying and paying the necessary expences and charges of the Constable in the executing of his office &c—Do unanimously consent and agree, And it is hereby consented and agreed unto—That all and every freeholder within the said townshipp aforesaid, shall pay four pence for each and every hundred acres of land which he holdeth in actual possession within the said Townshipp &c.

Which said tax of four pence pr Hundred Acres shall be collected and gathered in on this side and before the five and twentieth day of the first month which shall be in this present yeare of our Lord, inclusive, 1694.

The Tax is ordered to be paid unto William Hixson or his lawful order.

Overseers for the Ways then Nominated are  
John Abbat

1695 A list of the names and surnames of the Inhabi-  
1 Mon tants of the Townshipp of Nottingham.  
25, day

Mahlon Stacy,	Thomas Tindall,
John Lambert, Senior,	William Watson,
Thomas Lambert,	Isaac Watson,
Joshua Wright,	Sarah Scholey,
William Emley,	Benjamin Maple,
Martin Scott,	William Bidle,
Ann Pharo,	Joshua Ely,
John Rogers	Mathew Clayton,
John Lambert, Junior,	John Lees,
John Abbat,	Nathaniel Petit,
Robert Pearson,	John Brearley,
Ann Murfin,	Moses Petit,
Samuel Overton,	Richard Ridgeway,
William Hixson,	Jonathan Davis
Thomas Gilberthorp,	Thomas Greene
Anthony Woodward,	Ralph Hunt
William Quicksall,	Samuel Hunt
Theophilus Phillips,	Thomas Coleman,
Charles Biles,	John Richardson,
Thomas Smith,	

4, Mo  
18, day  
1695

Att a Townes Meeting then holden at the House of John Lambert in Nottingham aforesaid, for the Preventing of the frequent Nuisances dayly don by Hoggs, and for reducing their numerous Herds into lesser Companies &c, After some debate had about the premises, The question is putt.

Whether Any of the Inhabitants shall exceed the number of six, And them at all times to keep sufficiently Rung in their noses, with good Iron rings—And to be kept closely pounded up in

good substantial pound for the same purpose to be made.

Voted unanimously that none shall exceed the number and shall also Ring and pound.

It is further agreed at the same Meeting that every person or persons that shall transgress herein by keeping more than six, forfeit tenn Shillings, and for every hogg that runs at large and unpound[ed] the sum of five shillings per hogg, Which said forfeitures (upon the offenders refusal to pay) shall by virtue of a Warrant from the Magistrate (upon due complaint made) to the Constable to be directed, be levied by distress and sale of the offenders Goods.

1695  
11, Mon  
15, day

Att a Towns Meeting then holden at the house of John Lambert in Nottingham aforesaid &c.

Samuel Overton is chosen Constable for the year ensuing and Gervas Pharo Overseer of the wayes this side Sent Pink [Assanpink]. And Richard Ridgeway overseer for the wayes beyond.

The day and yeare aforesaid at the place aforesaid It is further ordered and agreed upon by the said Meeting, that for the defraying of expences layed out for the Burial of a Strange man found drowned &c with other necessary expences of the said Township &c

As also something to be allowed in consideration of the charges of our Neighbours of Chesterfield Towne touching an accommodation made with the Indians & for the better continuance of amity and Concord &c

That every hundred acres of land accounted as a plantation or settlement, or thereunto appendant, shall pay 8<sup>d</sup> for the Hundred, And all lands surveyed and appropriated though unsettled shall pay 4<sup>d</sup> per Hundred. Which said assessment shall be gathered by Constable of said Towne &c and paid out to his uses (aforementioned) as by the said Townmeeting shall be directed—at or on this side the five and twentieth day of the first month next ensuing.

1697  
10 Mon  
23 day

At a Towne Meeting then holden at the house of Ann Murfin in Nottingham aforesaid

William Quicksall is chosen Constable

Robert Pearson overseer for wayes

And it is further agreed at the aforesaid meeting that if any person or persons whatsoever within the said Township (which ought to do) and shall neglect to do his due and proportionable service at all publique and comon days works for the Reparation of Bridges and high wayes &c, and other publique necessary service to be done, After due and lawfull Notice given—

He or they so offending and neglecting shall for every day neglected pay three shillings per day, and upon refusal to pay, being lawfully demanded, the overseer for the time being may apply himself to the next Magistrate, upon whose just complaint the said Magistrate shall issue out his warrant to his constable to make Distress and sale of the offenders goods &c for the satisfaction of the s<sup>d</sup> forfeiture,

The persons whose names are under written in affirance and confirmation of the same, as a

binding by law inviolably to be observed & kept on behalf of the Townshipp have subscribed.

Mahlon Stacy	William Murfin
Thomas Lambert	Samuel Overton
Joshua Wright	Caleb Wheatley
William Emley	Mathew Grange
Martin Scott	Thomas Tindall
William Watson ✓	John Watson
John Rogers	Isaac Watson ✓
John Lambert	William Quicksall
John Abbat	John Leeson
Robert Pearson	Job Bunting
Thomas Gilberthorpe	

Ditto  
1697  
23, day  
10, mon

The said Towne meeting Doth further agree and accordingly order, that every Constable of the said Townshipp, for the time being, shall have and be paid two shillings for summoning in the Inhabitants at one time and no more to a Towne Meeting.

And for going to Burlington to attend the Court there, he shall be paid two shillings by the day for each and every day that he is out on that service.

1697  
— Mon  
4 day

At a Towne Meeting then holden at the house of Ann Murfin in Nottingham aforesaid, William Emley is by consent of the said meeting chosen Clerk for the ensuing yeare and ordered to have 20<sup>s</sup>, per yeare for his salary.

Further agreed at the same meeting, that the late Constable Assess shall be now doubled, and gathered after the same method that the former was gathered.

1698  
10 Mon  
12 day

At a Towne Meeting at the House of said Ann Murfin in Nottingham aforesaid, It is then and there unanimously agreed by the Inhabitants to raise an Assessment for the defraying of the Constables charges and to buy a Towne Booke, with other necessary expences of said Townshipp. And the same to be levied and collected at the rate of nine pence per hundred acres.

Isaac Watson chosen Constable

Martin Scott, Overseer for wayes.

The foregoing Minutes ordered to be engrossed.

William Emley, Clerke

1699  
1 Month  
29 day

At a Towne Meeting Holden at the house of Ann Murfin in Nottingham aforesaid &c

William Quicksal made up his Accompts with the Towne and is debitor the sum of four shillings (Afterwards p<sup>d</sup>)

Moneys ungathered in of that assessment at nine pence the hundred acres of land, amounting to twenty seven shillings—Ordered that William Quicksal collect the same.

Ordered that another assessment for the necessary charges of said Townshipp be levied and collected at the rate of six pence for every hundred acres of Land that are holden as plantations within the said Township, and to be collected by the Constable, before the first day of the third Month called May, which shall be in the yeare of our Lord 1700.

Caleb Wheatley chosen Constable

Thomas Tindall, overseer for Ways.

1700  
9, Month  
18, day

At a Towns Meeting holden at the house of Ann Murfin in Nottingham aforesaid.

William Quicksal ordered to pay Caleb Wheatley 3<sup>s</sup>.

Caleb Wheatley ordered to gather in the Assessment assessed the nine and twentieth day of the eleventh month, Anno 1699.

Samuel Overton ordered to gather in the residue of the County Tax—And also the Townes Tax that was ungathered when William Quicksal was Constable.

Ordered that William Emley be paid his salary for a Clarkship out of the Towns Tax—And also six and fifty shillings, by him formerly laid downe in moneys and goods for clearing off the Indians.

1700  
12 Mon  
18 day

At a Towns Meeting at the house of Ann Murfin aforesaid

Caleb Wheatley accounted and cleared,

John Tantum, chosen Constable

William Murfin, overseer for Ways.

Ditto, William Emley recieved of Caleb Wheatley fourty shillings for salary for two years Clarkship past—that is beginning the fourteenth

day of the first Month anno 1697, and ending the 14, day of the first month anno 1699.

Ditto by my owne tax—2<sup>s</sup>.

1701  
12 Mon  
11 day

At a Towns Meeting at the house of William Murfin within the Township of Nottingham afores<sup>d</sup>.

John Lambert chosen Constable

Samuel Overton, Overseer for Ways.

1702  
12 Mon  
8 day

At a Towns Meeting at the house of said William Murfin, Agreed that an assessment be laid, at 6 pence Hundred Acres and that ordered to be doubled.

Thomas Tindall, Creditor to Cash laid out ..... 14:06  
ditto Debitor by 3<sup>s</sup> 6<sup>d</sup> recieved..... 03,06  
Thomas Gilberthorp clear<sup>d</sup> all arrears to this day.

Agreed that the way leading through Samuel Overtons land over Crosswicks creek shall be continued as a Bridl-stie [lane].

Joshua Wright chosen Constable,

John Tantum, overseer for ways.

1703  
10 Mon  
6 day

At a Towns Meeting at the house of William Murfin in Nottingham aforesaid &c.

Thomas Tindall the Constable gathered 3<sup>£</sup>, 9<sup>s</sup>, 6<sup>d</sup> part of the double assessment assessed the eighth day of the 12<sup>th</sup> month anno 1702.

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Out of which he paid to himself . . . . 0, 4, 6  
 Ditto to William Quicksall, Tax . . . 0, 3, 0  
 To himself more for Charges . . . . . 0, 16, 0

Ditto Thomas Tindall paid to William Emley in full of all accounts for Clarkship to this day the sum of three pounds, that is to say 02,14,00 in Cash and 6<sup>s</sup> by his assessment.

1703  
 29 day  
 10 Mon

The names of the Inhabitants of the said Township with their respective quantities of land at this day.

Mahlon Stacy . . . . .	500 Acres	
Thomas Lambert . . . . .	1050	"
John Lambert . . . . .	450	"
Joshua Wright . . . . .	600	"
William Emley . . . . .	600	"
Isaac Watson . . . . .	440	"
William Watson . . . . .	150	"
John Rogers heirs . . . . .	150	"
Thomas Tindal . . . . .	460	"
John Abbat . . . . .	440	"
Robert Pearson . . . . .	1350	"
William Murfin . . . . .	900	"
Caleb Wheatley . . . . .	120	"
Samuel Overton . . . . .	200	"
John Tantum . . . . .	240	"
Mathew Grange . . . . .	260	"
William Stevens . . . . .	1350	"
Gervas Hall . . . . .	200	"
Thomas Gilberthorp . . . . .	700	"
Hermanus King . . . . .	350	"
William Quicksal . . . . .	300	"
Henry Scott . . . . .	200	" for Stevens
Abraham Marshal . . . . .	700	"
Mathew Watson . . . . .	30	"

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1703  
 11 Mon  
 25 day

At a Towns Meeting at the house of William Murfin in Nottingham aforesaid &c—Agreed that William Emley be continued Clerk from that time for the year following at twenty shillings for the year.

At the same time Thomas Gilberthorp, William Emley, Robert Pearson and John Abbat chosen Assessors to assess the County Tax to be paid by the Towne &c.

At the same time Thomas Tindall and Samuel Overton chosen Collectors to collect and pay the same in unto Nathaniel Westland the Treasurer appointed.

Province A Copy of the warrant for assessing and collecting the tax. To the Constable of Nottingham or Newjarsey in the province of Nova Cesarea or Newjersey, Greeting.

Whereas the Grand Jury for the body of this County, at the Quarterly Court of Sessions by adjournments, holden the two and twentieth day of december, last past, by concurrence of the Bench then and there sitting, have laid a tax upon the said County of Burlington, for the finishing and repairing the Court House and prison in Burlington, aforesaid, to be levied in manner following, viz: That every persons whole estate, as well Real as personal, shall be estimated and valued, in each and every townshipp where such person and persons doe reside in said County, and that every such Townshipp shall choose their respective Assessors for the estimating valuing and assessing the same Tax. And shall also choose their respective Collectors for collecting and gathering the same, Which Assessors shall

assess every person within their respective Townshipp after the rate of two shillings per hundred pounds for his or her whole estate, both real and personal as aforesaid, And for such persons that have no such visible estate amounting to one hundred pounds, to assess upon oath such person one shilling and eight pence, Which said Tax to be assessed shall be collected and paid to such Collector or Collectors, either in money or wheat at the market price, at or before the first day of April next, and by oath, and every such collection shall be paid into the hands of Mr Nathaniel Westland, Treasurer appointed for this County for the use aforesaid.

Pursuant to which said bill

These are in her majesties Name to will and require you to summon the freeholders and Inhabitants within your said Townshipp, by you to be appointed—within tenn days next after the receipt hereof, then and there to nominate and choose such and so many Assessors and Collectors as shall seem needful and necessary for the assessing and collecting the same Tax. Hereof fail not as you will answer the contrary at your peril.

Given under our hands and seals this seventh day of January in the second yeare of the Raigne of our Sovereigne Lady Ann, Queen of England &c and in the yeare of our Lord, 1703

Signed by  
 Thomas Revell  
 Nathaniel Westland  
 Robert Wheeler

Pursuant and in observance of the above written Warrant, and by authority of the said Quar-

terly Court of Sessions, as aforesaid, the said freeholders, Inhabitants, and all other persons (residing within the said Townshipp) that are capable are taxed for their respective estates in manner following—viz

The names of the Inhabitants and their respective sums paid towards the Tax.

Mahlon Stacy	Joshua Wright
Thomas Lambert	William Emley
John Lambert	Isaac Watson ✓
William Watson ✓	John Murfin
John Rogers heirs	Peter Ball
Thomas Tindal	William Murfin
John Abbat	Caleb Wheatley
Robert Pearson	Samuel Overton
William Stevens	John Tantum
Gervas Hall	Mathew Grange
Thomas Gilberthorp	Samuel Wright
Hermanus King	Thomas Wright
William Quicksall	Thomas Emley
Abraham Marshal	William Emley junior
Ffrancis Davenport	William Smith Miller
Mathew Watson	Isaac Herring
Richard Wilgoose	

1704  
 10<sup>th</sup> Mo  
 10<sup>th</sup> day

At a Towns Meeting at the House of Caleb Wheatley within the Townshipp of Nottingham aforesaid

Isaac Watson chosen Constable ✓

Harmanus King Overseer for y<sup>e</sup> High Ways.

1705  
 9<sup>th</sup> Mon  
 24<sup>th</sup> day

At a Towns Meeting at the House of Thomas Tindal within the Townshipp of Nottingham aforesaid—John Nevens chosen Constable

Thomas Gilberthorp & Isaac Watson, Overseers of the High Ways

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1706  
9<sup>th</sup> Mon  
9<sup>th</sup> day  
At a Towns Meeting at the House of John Tantums in Nottingham aforesaid—Thomas Gilbertthorp chosen Constable but y<sup>e</sup> Court saw not cause to qualify him but Chose William Watson in his place. John Nevens and Isaac Watson chosen Overseers of the Roads.

[Date  
obliterated] At a Towns Meeting at the House of William Murfin in the Township of Nottingham aforesaid

William Beates chosen Constable.

William Quicksall & Mahlon Stacy chosen Overseers of the High Wayes.

1708  
10<sup>th</sup> Mon  
28<sup>th</sup> day  
At a Towns Meeting at the House of William Murfin above s<sup>d</sup>—Then made an assessment (in persuance of a Warrant from Thomas Revell) of the sum of 3<sup>£</sup>, 4<sup>s</sup>, 6<sup>d</sup>, towards the repair of the Court House at Burlington.

Thomas Tindall & John Abbet chosen Assessors, and Sam<sup>l</sup> Overton Collector, who is to pay it as by the warr<sup>t</sup> is directed.

Sam<sup>l</sup> Radford chosen Constable

Thomas Tindale & Caleb Wheatley chosen Overseers of the High Wayes.

1709  
11<sup>th</sup> Mon  
1<sup>st</sup> day  
At a Towns Meeting at the House of John Tantums in Nottingham afores<sup>d</sup>

Mahlon Stacy chosen Constable

William Beates & William Fforde chosen Overseers of the High Wayes.

Thomas Tindall chosen Overseer of y<sup>e</sup> poore.

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1710  
— Mon  
— day  
At a Towns Meeting at the house of John Tantom aboves<sup>d</sup>

Joshua Wright & John Abbet are chosen Assessors & ordered to raise money to Defray the publick charge of y<sup>e</sup> Town

From 1752 to 1772

1752  
According to an order of this meeting an assistant was chose to assist the Assessor in valuing of Land in the said township aforesaid for the better ordering and settleing of a Taxe upon the said town. Wherefore this meeting takeing it into their consideration do agree that the assistant now chosen shall be allowed the sum of five shillings for each days service so performed. Also settled with James Coverly, one of the Overseers of the Poor, and there appears upon a settlement to be a ballance due to him the sum of two Pounds, Seven Shillings & two Pence. James Coverly Dr, to Cash recieved of William Dougless for Tavern Taxe ..... £2, 0<sup>s</sup>, 0<sup>d</sup>,  
Dr to Cash recieved of Robert Pearson, 4, 0,  
Likewise of Timothy Abbott..... 3, 0,

James Coverly is ordered by this meeting to pay to Cornelas Appleton the Sum of Eight Shillings for Relief afforded to Thomas Coxe.

As to the Nine Shillings that was in the hands of Timothy Abbott, it appears that he has paid to John Abbott the sum of five Shillings & to William Murfin the sum of one Shilling & to James Coverly the sum of three Shillings.

its Agreed the Next Towns meeting to be held at the house of John Taylor.

1753  
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At a towns meeting held at the house of John Taylor according to the votes of last meeting the Following Business was Transacted. The following officers were Chosen.

Constable .....	Jeremiah Anderson.
Surveyors of the Highways	} Abraham Tilton & Samuel Allen.
Freeholders	
Overseers of the Roads	} Nathaniel Warner & Samuel Lee.
Overseers of the Poor	
Assessor .....	William Murfin.
Collector .....	William Coverley.
Clerk .....	Timothy Abbott.

Also settled with James Coverley & John Quicksall, Overseers of the Poor, and there appears to be the sum of one Pound six Shillings & ten Pence in the hands of James Coverley.

Agreed at the abovesaid meeting that the Overseer of the Poor pay John Quicksall the sum of two Pounds to Build a house for Jane Quicksall, which money the said John Quicksall is to return the abovesaid money if the said Jane Should Die within five years from this date & Likewise if she should become Chargeable to the town within the said time, to Return the above money.

It is agreed that the Next towns meeting be held at the house of Joseph Thorns near Preserve Browns.

1754  
12<sup>th</sup> of  
3<sup>m</sup>

At a Towns Meeting held at the house of Preserve Browns for the Township of Nottingham the following Business was Transacted, viz

the officers for the following year are—

Constable .....	Francis King.
Freeholders	} George Middleton & Abr <sup>m</sup> Skirm.
Surveyors of the Roads	
Overseers of the Roads	} Robert Chambers & David Rewlong.
Overseers of the Poor	
Assessor .....	William Murfin.
Collector .....	John Watson.
Clerk .....	Preserve Brown.

William Dougless Dr, to 2 Taxes  
for Tavern .....£4, 0, 0,  
D<sup>o</sup> Cr<sup>dt</sup> for Keeping a woman &  
Child eight days ..... 10, 0,  
D<sup>o</sup> Cash paid John Coverley, Part  
of the above Taxe ..... 1, 10, 0,  
Cash in the hands of John Quicksall, Paid him  
by Tho<sup>s</sup> Middleton, the sum of Seven Shillings  
& Six Pence.  
Do Paid him by Guisbert Hendrickson Eighteen  
Shillings.  
D<sup>o</sup> Paid him by Samuel Radford, nine Shillings.  
John Quicksall, Credit by Cash Paid Preserve  
Brown for Plank for the Bridge, the sum of Six  
Shillings and nine Pence.

Its agreed that the next Towns meeting be held at the Place Abovesaid.

1754  
5<sup>th</sup> of  
10<sup>m</sup>

At a Towns Meeting held at the house of Philip Welsh, By Virtue of a Warrant from one of his Majesties Justices for the Peace for the County of Burlington, Being Granted at the

Request of the Overseers of the Poor of the Township of Nottingham, Concerning one Elizabeth Becket who is likely to become Chargeable to the said Township, Therefore upon Consideration the Majority now met Do agree and Conclude By the authority aforesaid that the said Elizabeth Becket hath not gain'd a Legall Settlement in this Township and Therefore its ordered that the Overseer of the Poor procure a Warrant to Remove her the Said Elizabeth Becket to the Place of her birth or the Proper Place where She doth Belong and further If any Difficulty Should arise on obtaining the Warrant of Removeable [*sic*] the overseers Shall take Counsell and what Cost So ever they may be at that is Lawfull and Reasonable bring their Accounts to next Towns meeting and they shall receive their Pay upon the above Case.

1755  
11<sup>th</sup>  
3<sup>m</sup>

At a Towns Meeting held at the house of John Butters for Township of Nottingham The following Business was Transacted.

Constable .....	Michael Rogers
Assessor .....	Robert Lettice Hooper.
Freeholders	{ George Middleton & Preserve Brown.
Surveyors of the Roads	{ Samuel Allen & Abraham Tilton.
Overseers of the Roads	{ Joseph Appleton & Francis Borden.
Overseers of the Poor	{ Thomas Middleton & John Coverley.
Collector .....	Guisbert Hendrickson.
Town Clerk .....	Preserve Brown.

Its agreed that William Murfin Timothy Abbott, William Miller, George Middleton, John Abbott, Preserve Brown, Abr<sup>m</sup> Skirm & John Coverley be appointed as a Committee to settle the

Accounts with the Overseers of the Poor In Behalf of the Town—The Major Part agreeing on a settlement to be Conclusive. John Quicksall brought in the following Account to the Doctor by his Account amounting to the sum of one pound, fifteen shillings for service done to Elizabeth Becket which was allowed. And to an account of expence at Burdentown of Six Shillings & Eight pence allowed also. And to Elizabeth Morrison for Diateing of Elizabeth Beckert of four weeks at twelve Shillings pr week and two weeks at 8/— per week amounting in the whole to the sum of three Pounds four Shillings which the Committee [considers] is too much and doth Conclude for Severall Reasons that thirty four Shillings is Sufficient which John Quicksall is orderd to have her account & pay the above Sum of thirty four Shillings which if she refuses to accept of it, John Quicksall is to have her Account adjudged by a Magistrate of Munmoth County and pay her what the Majestrate thinks Reasonable. It appears that John Quicksall hath the sum of twenty two Shillings of the Towns Money in his hands so that when the above sums are Paid the<sup>2</sup> in debt to him the Sum of two Pounds, thirteen Shillings & eight pence, to be paid as hereafter Directed.

William Coverley brought in Sundry accounts against the Town being as follows—viz<sup>t</sup>—

To Cash paid Samuel Lee for Services done to Trenton bridge amounting to the Sum of nineteen Shillings. To expence in removing Elizabeth Becket out of the Township amounting to Six Pounds, Eleven Shillings & Six pence—and of another Charge of Expence on the Tryall of

<sup>2</sup>Some words evidently omitted in the copy.—EDITOR.

Phillip Welsh at Burdentown, the Sum of Ten Shillings, Amounting in the whole to the Sum of Eight Pounds & Six pence—and it appears that he hath recieved the following Sums of the Towns Money—viz<sup>t</sup>—

of John Coverley the Sum of...	£1,	10,	0,
of Thomas Hooten the Sum of..	2,	0,	0,
of George Burnes the Sum of...	1,	0,	0,
D <sup>o</sup> to Cash Recieved for Strays..	0,	19,	3,

Amounting in the whole to the Sum of ..... £5, 9, 3;  
By which it appears there Remains due to the Said William Coverley the Sum of £2, 11, 3.

John Coverley rendered an account in Behalf of his Father James Coverley, Deceased, Late an Overseer of the Poor for this Town & likewise for himself, Being as follows, viz<sup>t</sup>—

To a Ballance Due to the town from his Father James Coverley Deceased, of Cash Rec <sup>d</sup> .....	£1,	6,	10,
of Phillip Welsh .....	1,	0,	00,
of William Dougless .....	1,	10,	0,
D <sup>o</sup> By a Stray .....	0,	11,	0,
By D <sup>o</sup> to Recieve of William Dougless .....	2,	0,	0,

Amounting in the whole to the Sum of ..... £6, 7, 10,  
And likewise of Sundry Charges that the Town is in debt to said Coverley, being as follows  
To Cash paid John Quicksall.... £2, 0, 0,  
To Cornelius Appleton ..... 8, 0,

To William Coverley .....	1,	10,	0,
To D <sup>o</sup> in Cash .....	19,	3,	

Amounting in the whole to the Sum of ..... £4, 17, 3,  
So that there remains due to the Town a Ballance from John Coverley when he hath Recieved the 40/— due from Wm Dougless, of the Sum of £1, 10, 7.

John Abbott Likewise Brought in the following Charges against the Town

To Cash .....	£1,	5,	0,
To 3 Days Service in behalf of the town .....	1,	2,	6,
To Expence on the Judge .....	0,	3,	0,
To the Kings Attotrney .....	0,	13,	6,
To Expence .....	0,	2,	0,

Amounting in the whole to .... £3, 6, 0,  
John Abbott, To Cash rec<sup>d</sup> of Phillip Welsh, ..... 2, 0, 0,

By which it appears the[re] is due to Jo<sup>n</sup> Abbott ..... 1, 6, 0,  
The town is Indebted to William Murfin for D<sup>o</sup> ..... 1, 6, 6,  
To George Middleton for Ditto.. 15, 0,

Amounting in the whole to the Sum of ..... £3, 7, 6,

In Consideration of the above Debts it is agreed that there be a Poor tax Raised this year of the Sum of Twelve Pounds to be assessed by William Murfin as soon as Possible and Collected by the first Day of the fifth month & that the above Debts be paid out of the above money when collected by W<sup>m</sup> Coverley.

The above committee, Considering the Inhabitants Being Generally Gone, we think our Power not to be Sufficient to order a Taxe to be Levied without the General Approbation of the Town in General, therefore Its Left under Consideration untill Next Meeting.

At a Special Meeting of the Township of Nottingham, on the 15<sup>th</sup> Day of 4 Month, 1755 at the house of John Butters Called by Virtue of a Warrant Granted by William Pancost Esq at the Request of the overseers of the poor, for to Raise money to Defray the Charges of the Poor & other Debts of the Town.

The town agrees that the Sum of Seven Pounds be Levied & Raised & that William Murfin asses it by the pound Value and Return the Duplicate to the Collector by the first Day of the fifth Month. And that the money be Disburst according to a minute of last meeting by order of John Abbott Esq.

Robert Chambers brought in a Charge against the Town of one pound, eighteen Shillings & Six pence for Repairs of the Bridge at Trenton which was allowed & ordered to be paid by the Overseers of the Poor when the foregoing debts are Discharged.

Nathaniel Warner brought an account against the Town for Services Done for which the Town allows the Sum of fifteen Shillings & he hath had the Sum of Seven Shillings & Sixpence of it and the Remainder is Ordered to be Paid by the Overseers of the Poor &c.

1755  
10 of 3

At a Towns Meeting held at the house of John Butters the following Business was Transacted. Officers for the ensuing year are as follows—viz<sup>t</sup>—

Constable .....	Elijah Bond.
Freeholders	} George Middleton & Francis Borden.
Surveyors	
Overseers of the Roads	} George Rozel Samuel Radford
Overseers of the Poor	
Assessor .....	William Murfin.
Collector .....	John Watson.
Clerk for the Town..	Preserve Brown.

The following Charges were Settled for the Town. William Miller brought a Charge of three days spent in behalf of the Town at Seven Shillings & Six pence a day which was allowed.

Joseph Appleton sent in a Receipt for Eight Shillings paid for 40 feet of Plank bought for Trenton Bridge and an account of twenty nine Shillings due to Samuel Stevenson for 103 feett of Plank for the Said Bridge which is allowed & ordered to be paid.

John Coverley produced a book to this Meeting for which he gave two Shillings for the use of the Overseers of the Poor for which this Meeting orders him to be paid.

This meeting Appoints George Middleton William Murfin & Preserve Brown to settle accounts with the year before last Overseers of the poor & Reporte the State of the Accounts to our next Towns Meeting.

Joseph Appleton sent in an account from Robert Lettice Hooper amounting to 23/ Shillings for Repairing the Bridge in the ferry Lane which this Meeting doth not allow.

On Consideration of the foregoing Debts & as there is a Likelihood of more Charges on this Town the Ensuing year it is agreed that a tax be Levied this year of twelve Pounds and that William Murfin assess it as soon as he Conveniently can on the pound value.

On consideration that John Butters Business is but small the town hath agreed that they will take one pound, five Shillings for his last years tax.

Its agreed that the towns meeting be held at the House of John Butters next year.

1757  
8 of 3

At a Towne Meeting held at the house of John Butters the Following Business was transacted. Officers chosen for the ensuing year are—viz<sup>t</sup>—

Constable .....	Robert Chambers.
Freeholders .....	Guisbert Hendrickson & Timothy Abbott.
Surveyors of Roads	George Rozel & William Coverley.
Overseers of Roads	Samuel Radford & Obadiah Eldridge.
Overseers of the Poor	Thomas Middleton & John Coverley.
Assessor .....	Abram Skirm.
Collector .....	John Wattson.
Clerk for the Town..	Preserve Brown.

Thomas Middleton, one of the Overseers of the poor Brought in a charge against the town for Sundry Debts Discharged by him amounting to ..... £5, 7, 9½  
and he hath recieved of ye towns money ..... 5, 5, 6½

So that there remains due to him 2, 3

There appears a charge against Thomas Middleton of nine Shillings neglected collecting of William Murfin which this meeting orders him to collect & pay to the town.

John Coverley the other Overseer brought in an account of several disbursements on the Towns account amounting to ..... £7, 6, 11¼  
and account he was charged with of William Dugless that he never got ..... 9, 5

Amounting to the sum of..... £7, 16, 4¼  
And it appears he hath recieved of the towns money the Sum of 11, 14, 8

So that there is due to the town from him ..... £3, 18, 3¼  
D<sup>o</sup> Cash recieved of Joseph Appleton ..... 9, 0

This meeting appoints John Abbott, Timothy Abbott, George Middleton, William Murfin, & Abram Skirm, a Committee to settle with the Town Collector concerning the Delinquents of the

Duplicate for tax, any three of them meeting there settlement to be effectual and make Report to the Assessor, and it is agreed that they meet on the 22<sup>d</sup> of this Instant at Wm Murfins.

Thomas Taylor Reports that Jane Quicksall Requires assistance from the Town. The Town orders the Overseers of the poor to continue their care and get her Kept as reasonable as can be conveniently done.

There appears to be the following Sums due to the Town which the Overseers are Desired to collect as soon as conveniently they can.

Due from Even Renolds for his tax	£2, 0, 0,
from John Quicksall money he was to return in case Jane Quicksall should become chargeable to the town .....	2, 0, 0,
Due from George Moshell for his tax .....	2, 5, 0,

Amounting in the whole to the Sum of .....	£6, 5, 0,
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This meeting being apprehensive that the Bridge at Trentown is dangerous this meeting appoints George Rozel & Timothy Abbott to view the Said Bridge and if any Necessary Repairs are wanted to take the Necessary measures to get it done as soon as possible.

Its agreed that the Next Towns meeting be Kept at the house of Nathaniel Warners nere Preserve Browns Mill.

1757  
12 of 11

At a Towns Meeting called in to consider of a Case concerning of Anne Larkins a poor woman Lately brought into our Town of Nottingham and the Inhabitants that was then mett doth appoint John Abbott, William Murfin, Samuel Stevenson, to consider of & judge whether it is needfull to raise a Taxe & if needfull to fix a Sum and order the Assessor to assess the same as they shall think fitt. and if the overseers of the poor upon Enquiry finds that the said Anne Larkins is or doth not Lawfully belong to our town, that then they shall appeal & Prosecute at the towns cost. It is also agreed at this meeting that the proper officers for Letting & Repairing of Bridges shall take as much of the Towns money & pay the Necessary charge of repairing of Trenton bridge & if there is not enough money in bank that then the said officers shall Borrow so much money upon Interest as wanted for that Service & bring in there accounts to next meeting.

1758  
14 of 3

At a Towne Meeting held at the house of Nathaniel Warners the following Business was Transacted.

Officers chosen for the ensuing year are—  
viz<sup>t</sup>—

Constable .....	John Coverley.
Freeholders .....	Timothy Abbott & Guisbert Hendrickson.
Surveyors of Roads .....	George Rozel & William Coverley.
Overseers of the Roads .....	Eliakim Anderson & Abraham Tilton.
Overseers of the Poor .....	David Satterweight & David Rewlong.
Assessor .....	Abram Skirm.
Collector .....	Samuel Allen.
Town Clerk .....	Preserve Brown.

Richard Dougless produced a charge for Plank for the Townships Service to the value of Seventeen Shillings which this meeting orders the Overseer [of] the poor to pay him and take his Receipt.

Nathaniel Warner, Deputy Constable complains to this meeting that he thinks the town ought to make him some allowance for calling the Town together & other services for which the Town orders the Overseers of the poor to pay him five Shillings which is now paid him, and an instance of this kind Never after this meeting to be allowed according to this meeting.

There appearing to this meeting that there is a Necessity of a Taxe to be Raised for the Ensuing year to Defray the Expenche that has accrued upon this town—Therefore this meeting orders Abram Skirm the Present Assessor to Levy a Taxe of the Sum of twenty five pounds to be Gathered In at the same time the Provincial Taxe is Paid in, and that the Sum of Ten pounds that was Borrowed for to pay the charge of Repairing Trenton Bridge be paid out of it with the Interest Due thereon and the Remainder to be for the use of the poor of this Town.

This meeting appoints Abram Skirm to Engross the Minutes of this Town against The Next Towns Meeting.

It is agreed that the next towns meeting be Kept at the house of Even Renolds.

A List of the names of the Inhabitants of the Township of Nottingham as Taken by Abram Skirm in the year 1758.

Robert Lettice Hooper	Abraham Tilton
Robert Lettice Hooper, Jun	Samuel Allen
Thomas Preston	Francis Burden
William Sprouls	David Rewlong
David Satterweight	Henry Rewlong
Pontius Still	Benjamin Robins
John Dougless	Nathaniel Robins
Mark Elless	Richard Walton
Thomas Farnam	Samuel Still
George Jobbs	Jonathan Knipe
Edward Broadfeld	Daniel Quigley
Elijah Bond	John Abbott, Esq.
Richard Salter Esq	Jacob Link
John Watson	Joseph Daviss, Juner
Even Renolds	George Rozell
Timothy Abbott	Samuel Lee
Mary Pearson	Martin Scott
William Murfin	Samuel Jones
Joseph Radford	John Brown
Sarah Murfin	John Coalman
John Murfin	John Cornish
Preston Vanlaw	Eliakim Anderson
Nathaniel Warner	John Ely, Juner
Preserve Brown	Jeremiah Anderson
Joseph Scooley	Samuel Hill
William Kennison	Robert Nelson
Daniel Butter	Christopher Mires
Charles Vandike	John Hutchinson
Richard Dougless	Andrew Daviss
Samuel Stevenson	William Jenkins
Benjamin English	Joseph Jay
John Mount	William Foard
John Taylor	Cornelas Appleton
Anne Tantum	Richard Appleton
Thomas Middleton	Joseph Appleton
Mark Elliss	James Pounder
Nathaniel Warner Jun	Joseph Chambers
George Middleton	William Coverley
Charles Burten	Isaac Quigley
Daniel Harker	John Coverley
Guisbert Hendrickson	Obadiah Eldridge
Anthony King	David Cale
Judiah Thorn	Edward Macape
Benjamin Loyd	Elihu Parr

Samuel Radford	John Hutchinson, Jun
Robert Newell	Robert Chambers
Michael Rogers	Jacob Lawrence
Francis King	Ferdinand Young
John Quicksall	Joseph Daviss, Sener
William Stills	Abram Skirm

Whereas by an act of General Assembly of the Province of New Jersey it is ordered that a Stone Bridge shall be forthwith built over Assanpink adjoining Robert Lettis Hoopers Mills and whereas the Township of Nottingham have represented that they have done a considerable part of their Proportion, but at that time it could not be ascertained, Therefore have appointed us, William Montgomery Abraham Hendrickson, Elisha Lawrence, John Clarke and Zebulon Stout, Commissioners to settle and Determine the Same, And we the s<sup>d</sup> Comm<sup>ers</sup> have met agreeable to s<sup>d</sup> act, and have heard the Evidences and Allegations on both sides, and we the Said Commissioners do find that the Township of Nottingham have done toward ther Proportion to the value of Thirty Pounds—as witness our hands this 4 Day of July, 1765.

Wm Montgomery	John Clarke
Abraham Hendrickson	Zebulon Stout
Elisha Lawrence	

This Award was ordered to be recorded by the s<sup>d</sup> act of Assembly. I do certify the above to be a true copy

Pr Isaac Pearson, Clerk

1759  
13 of 3<sup>m</sup>

At a Towns meeting held at the house of Even Renolds Inholder the following officers & Business was Transacted.

Constable .....	William Murfin
Freeholders .....	{ Timothy Abbott
	Samuel Allen

Overseers of the	{	Abraham Tilton
Highways .....		John Cornish
Surveyors of the	{	William Cubberley
Highways .....		Joseph Chambers
Overseers for the	{	David Rulon
Poor .....		David Satterwaite
Assessor .....		Abram Skirm
Collector .....		John Watson
Town Clerk .....		Preserve Brown

John Abbott, George Middleton, Abram Skirm & Timothy Abbott are appointed to settle the accounts of the Overseers of the poor & Collector & make report to the next Town meeting.

Abram Skirm having Engrossed the Towns Book up to this Time agreeable to the Order of last Meeting, this Meeting now orders the overseers of the poor to pay him the Sum of Nine Shillings for the Service, which was done by David Rulon—After which the Meeting adjourned to meet at the House of James Whites at the usual time Next year.

1760  
11<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>m</sup>

At a Towns Meeting agreeable to adjournment, at the House of James Whites the following Business was Transacted.

Constable, is .....	{	John Cornish.
Freeholders, are ...		Timothy Abbot & Preserve Brown.
Surveyors of the	{	Elijah Bond &
Highways .....		John Murfin.
Overseers of the	{	David Cale &
Highways .....		Samuel Stevenson.
Overseer of the Poor	{	Francis Borden &
are .....		Robert Lettice Hooper,
		Jun
Assessor .....		Abraham Skirm.
Collector .....		George Middleton.
Town Clerk .....		Preserve Brown.



Raise Such Sums of Money as shall appear to them to be Necessary in Behalf of the poor & other uses for the Town. Therefore John Abbott, Samuel Stevenson, Robert Lettice Hooper Juner, George Middleton, Isaac Pearson, William Murfin, Abraham Skirm & Elijah Bond are accordingly appointed to that purpose.

John Quicksall Produced his Acct which was settled & he paid all the Demands the town had of him to this time.

1762

3<sup>d</sup> M, 2<sup>d</sup> D

At a Towns Meeting held at the House of James Whites when the following Officers were chosen and Business was Transacted &c.

Officers for this year are	
for Constable .....	Robert Pearson
for Freeholders ...	William Murfin & Guisbert Hendrickson
Surveyors of the Highways .....	Samuel Allen John Taylor
Overseers of the Roads .....	Isaac Pearson Michael Rodgers
Overseers for the Poor .....	Timothy Abbott Abraham Skirm
Assessor .....	Abraham Skirm
Collector .....	Lawrence Saltor
Clerk for Strays ....	Timothy Abbott

This Meeting thinks it proper to chose a Committee to settle the accounts with all the Officers of the Town who have Accts to Settle; & to act on the behalf of the town & of the poor & to Raise Such Sum or Sums of Money as they shall judge Necessary for the Said uses. The Committee chosen to Transact the Affairs of the Town are Richard Brown, Guisbert Hendrickson, John Cubberly Joseph Chambers, Joseph Schooley, Timothy Abbott, Francis Borden &c

George Middleton the former Collector produced a Receipt that he had paid the County Collector the sum of Five Pounds, two Shillings & two pence being the full of a County Tax; Likewise recieved of George Middleton the Sum of three pounds being fines Recovered of William Miller, Martin Scott & Samuel Allen for Refusing to Serve as Overseers of the Roads.

Paid out of the said sum was paid to Samuel Stevenson, one Pound, one Shilling and one penny for Plank for Bridges & to Timothy Abbott one Pound, Eighteen Shillings & Eleven pence.

Robert Lettice Hooper Juner Produced his Account by which it appears a Ballance of Eleven pounds, ten Shillings is Due to him for Money advanced for the Towns use.

William Cubberly Produced his Accounts by which it appears there is a Ballance of two pounds, Nineteen Shillings & Nine pence Due to him.

William Murfin Produced an acct to the Committee amounting to the Sum of Ten pounds, Nineteen Shillings & four pence being Money Lent to the Town.

Therefore this Committee thinketh it Needfull to Raise the Sum of thirty Pounds for the use of the poor & to Discharge Such debts as is Due from the Town & Timothy Abbott is ordered to acquaint Abraham Skirm the Assessor therewith & to order asses the same as soon as conveniently he can.

The Towns Meeting to be held at the House of James Whites Next year

1762  
8<sup>th</sup> M  
24<sup>th</sup> Day

Agreeable to an order of the Committee Appointed on Purpose to settle the Accts of the Town among other things did then & their Direct their order to me for to Raise the sum of one Hundred & Twenty pounds for the use of the poor, Agreeable to which order I have Levied the said sum which is as follows.

*Robert Lettice Hooper .....	£2,	9,	0,
Richard Saltor .....		9,	0,
Thomas Watson .....		19,	0,
Rotes Hooper .....	2,	2,	0,
✓ *Atchsha Lambert .....		8,	0,
James Renicks .....		7,	6,
John Jones .....		4,	0,
*John Brandt .....		7,	0,
William Sprowles .....		3,	6,
Renold Hooper .....		9,	0,
Mark Elliss .....		4,	2,
Nathaniel Parker .....	2,	5,	0,
*John Douglas .....	1,	15,	0,
Edward Broadfield .....		5,	0,
*Elijah Bond .....	6,	6,	0,
*Lawrence Saltor .....	6,	10,	0,
*John Watson .....	2,	10,	0,
William Vilguse .....		4,	6,
Richard Vilguse .....		4,	0,
*Isaac Quigley .....		4,	6,
*Timothy Abbott .....	1,	13,	8,
*Isaac & Robert Pearson .....	7,	4,	0,
*William Murfin .....	4,	19,	6,
John Imlay .....	1,	14,	8,
*John Taylor .....	1,	18,	6,
John Jones .....		3,	10,
*Charles Vandike .....		6,	0,
*Richard Brown .....	3,	19,	4,
*James White .....		4,	0,
*Joseph Schooley .....		7,	6,
Robert Quigley .....		4,	0,
Thomas Mount .....		18,	0,

*Joseph Tantum .....	1,	6,	4,
*Francis Tantum .....		11,	4,
*Phinneas Bunting .....		7,	4,
John Hays .....		3,	6,
*Samuel Radford .....		16,	0,
*Joseph Radford .....		13,	0,
*Thomas Middleton .....	2,	3,	6,
*George Middleton Jun <sup>r</sup> .....		4,	0,
*John Bruce .....		7,	4,
*William Miller .....		14,	8,
*Guisbert Hendrickson .....	3,	3,	4,
John Hendrickson .....		4,	0,
*Hugh Newell .....	1,	13,	4,
Francis Peter Rafee .....		2,	0,
*Michael Rogers .....	1,	7,	8,
*Robert Steward .....	1,	10,	0,
*John Quicksall .....		16,	8,
*Elizabeth Tilton .....	2,	10,	0,
*Joseph Thorn .....		8,	4,
*Nathaniel Warner .....		4,	0,
*Daniel Tilton .....		4,	6,
*George Middleton .....	1,	4,	0,
*William Allen .....		8,	6,
*Francis Burding .....	2,	13,	4,
*Samuel Allen .....	3,	16,	4,
Joseph Burden .....		4,	10,
*David Rulon .....	2,	2,	8,
*Nathaniel Robins .....	1,	8,	4,
Bryant M <sup>c</sup> Carty .....		9,	4,
David Silvers .....		14,	10,
*Susannah Quigley .....		4,	0,
*Richard Walton .....		4,	0,
John Lovelace .....		8,	0,
*Jacob Still .....		4,	6,
*Jonathan Knipe .....		10,	6,
Andrew Daviss .....		3,	10,
Bowman Coalman .....		3,	10,
Daniel Robins .....		9,	4,
*William Cubberly .....		19,	6,
*John Cubberly .....	1,	2,	4,
*John Hutchinson .....	1,	12,	8,
*Robert Hutchinson .....		12,	0,
William Mitting .....		4,	10,
Christopher Mires .....		3,	6,
Joseph Skirm .....		3,	8,



Overseers for the	{	John Cubberly
Poor .....	{	Joseph Saltor
Assessor .....	{	Abraham Skirm
Collector .....	{	Robert Pearson
Towns Clerk .....	{	Timothy Abbott

This meeting thinks it Needfull to choose a Committee to Transact the Towns Business in Behalf of the town and especially upon account of Poor for this year & if there is Necessity to order money to be Raised and to settle with all the officers of the Town, and for that Purpose the following Persons are chose viz<sup>t</sup> Thomas Watson Esq, Isaac Pearson Esq, Joseph Schooley, George Middleton, William Murfin, Robert Pearson & Francis Tantum.

The Towns Meeting for the Next year to be holden at the house of William OBryant.  
Timothy Abbott, Town Clerk.

1765  
3<sup>m</sup>, 12<sup>d</sup>,

At a Towns [Meeting], holden at the House of William Obryant then and there the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year &c viz<sup>t</sup>

For Constable .....	Francis Burden	
Freeholders .....	{	John Abbott
	{	Timothy Abbott
Surveyors for the	{	Samuel Allen
Highways .....	{	John Taylor
Overseers for the	{	Jeremiah Anderson
Highways .....	{	Humphry Wall
Overseers for the	{	William Murfin
Poor .....	{	Isaac Pearson
Assessor .....	{	Abraham Skirm
Collectors .....	{	William Murfin
	{	Isaac Pearson

At this meeting it was thought necessary to chose a Committee to Transact the towns Business in behalf of the Town and especially upon account of the Poor for this year, and if there is Necessity to order money to be Raised, and to

settle with all the officers of the Town & the following Persons are chose viz<sup>t</sup> Thomas Watson, John Abbott, Robert Pearson, William Cubberley, Joseph Chambers, Elijah Bond, & Guisbert Hendrickson.

The Question being Proposed at this Towns meeting what Hour of the Day the Meeting should begin at and being put to vote it was generally agreed that the Hour of Ten OClock morning should be the Hour & then the Persons so mett may Proceed to the Business.

The towns meeting for the Next year to be Holden at the House of James Whites.

Timothy Abbott, Towns Clerk.

1765.

The Committee chosen as aforesaid being met together and after consideration being had thereon came to the following conclusions viz<sup>t</sup>

That each Overseer of the Poor from this time are desired to Provide themselves each with a Small book to Keep their accompts separte & to Produce them to the Next Towns meeting to be considered of & settled & all such matters & charges as the Town may think necessary or convenient to be Transcribed by the Clerk into the Bound Book & that the Said Bound Book be from this time left in the care of the Clerk.

Thomas Watson reported to this Committee of a Charge due to William Sprowls for the Removing of a poor woman into the Province of Pennsylvania which charge after consideration being had thereon, its ordered that the Overseer pay him the sum of five shillings and charge the same to the Town.

John Coalman Late Constable brought a charge of Removeing two poor Persons, by virtue of warrant of Removeal, the one to Chesterfield, the other to Maidenhead, the Committee takeing the same into consideration orders that the Overseer pay unto the said John Coalman the sum of fourteen shillings for the said service & to take his receipt for the same.

This Committee takeing into consideration the Several Debts that this town is in and likely to be Indebted in, and it appearing that it will be very much of a Disadvantage to the several Officers to be obliged to Levy a Taxe at this time, therefore we agree that the Overseers do Borrow the Sum of fifteen Pounds of Guisbert Hendrickson & Give him a Bill for the same with Interest which this Committee engages to see paid.

1766  
3<sup>d</sup> Month  
11 Day

At a Towns Meeting holden at the House of John Wood, then and there the following Officers were chosen for the ensuing year, viz<sup>t</sup>

For Constable .....	William Snowden
Freeholders .....	{ Timothy Abbott
	{ Isaac Pearson
Surveyors for the	{ Samuel Allen
Highways .....	{ John Taylor
Overseers for the Poor	{ Joseph Chambers
& Collectors .....	{ Joseph Tantum
Overseers for the	{ Samuel Stevenson
Highways .....	{ Robert Pearson
Assessor .....	Abraham Skirm

This Meeting thinks it Needful and Necessary to have a Committee to Transact the Towns Business for the year Ensuing & to Raise money for the use of the poor, therefore the following Men are chosen to that service viz<sup>t</sup> John Abbott, Joseph Saltor, George Middleton, William Murfin, William Cubberly & Isaac Pearson. And its further

agreed that the Committee chosen as above shall have Liberty to settle all Matters Relateing to the poor & to have Power to Raise Money for the use of the Poor or any other use or Service that may be wanting in or for the Behalf of the Township.  
Isaac Pearson, Clerk

The towns meeting to be held at the House of Phillip Denniss Next year

1767  
3 Month  
10 Day

At a Meeting of the Township of Nottingham Holden at the House of Isaac Pearson, the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year.

This Meeting thinks it Necessary to choose a Committee to Transact the Towns Business for the ensuing year & to Raise money for the use of the Poor or any other service that may be wanting for the use of the Said Township—Therefore the following Persons are chosen to that Service, viz<sup>t</sup> John Abbott, Joseph Saltar, George Middleton, Timothy Abbott, John Cubberly & Isaac Pearson.

Officers chosen are

For Constable .....	John Bruce
Freeholders .....	{ Timothy Abbott
	{ Isaac Pearson
Surveyors of the	{ John Taylor
Highways .....	{ Samuel Stevenson
Overseers of the	{ Joseph Chambers
Poor .....	{ Elijah Bond
Overseers of the	{ John Watson
Highways .....	{ Nathaniel Robins
Assessor .....	George Middleton
Collector .....	Joseph Chambers

Isaac Pearson, Clerk.

The towns Meeting to be held at the House of James Whites Next year.

1768 At a Towns Meeting for the Township of Nottingham holden at the House of James Whites the following officers were chosen, viz<sup>t</sup>  
 3 Month  
 8 Day

For Constable .....	Thomas Thorn
Freeholders .....	{ George Middleton
	{ Michael Rogers
Surveyors of the	{ John Taylor
Highways .....	{ Samuel Allen
Overseers of the	{ Joseph Chambers
Poor .....	{ Elijah Bond
Assessor .....	John Cubberly
Collector .....	Joseph Chambers
Overseers of the	{ Josiah Appleton
Roads .....	{ John Quicksall
Towns Clerk .....	Isaac Pearson

This Meeting thinks it Necessary to have a Committee to Transact the towns Business for the year Insuing to settle accounts and to Raise Money for the use of the Poor or any other Service that may be wanting for the use of the Said Township of Nottingham therefore the following Men are chosen to that service viz<sup>t</sup> Joseph Saltar Esq<sup>r</sup>, John Abbott, George Middleton, Francis Burden, Michael Rogers, and Isaac Pearson. Ordered that the same be Recorded in the Town Book.

Isaac Pearson, Clerk

Ordered the Next Towns Meeting be held at the House of Michael Nowland.

1769 At a Towns Meeting holden at the House of Michael Nowlands for the Township of Nottingham the following officers were chosen & Business was Transacted, Viz<sup>t</sup>  
 3 Month  
 8 Day

Officers chosen are  
 For Constable .....
 William Allen || Freeholders ..... | { George Middleton |
|  | { Michael Rodgers |

Surveyors for the	{ Samuel Allen
Highways .....	{ John Taylor
Overseers of the	{ Obadiah Eldridge
Highways .....	{ William Miller
Assessor .....	Abraham Skirm
Collectors and Overseers	{ Joseph Chambers
for the Poor .....	{ Elijah Bond
Towns Clerk .....	Isaac Pearson

Joseph Daviss a Poor man of this Township is Put out to Board wash Lodge & mend to William Cubberly for Eleven Pounds Nineteen Shillings & Six pence for Better [or] for Worse. This Meeting thinks it Necessary to appoint a Committee to Transact the Towns Business for the year Insuing to settle Accompts & to Raise Money for the use of the Poor or any other use or Service that may be wanted for the use or service for the Township of Nottingham, Therefore the following Men are appointed to that service viz<sup>t</sup> George Middleton, John Abbott, Thomas Lawrie, Elijah Bond, Isaac Pearson, Michael Rodgers and Francis Borden.

Its agreed the Next Towns Meeting to be Holden at the House of James Whites.

Isaac Pearson, Clerk

1770 At a Towns Meeting for the Township of Nottingham Holden at the House of James Whites the following officers were chosen viz<sup>t</sup>  
 3 Mon  
 13<sup>th</sup> Day

For Constable .....	Isaiah Robins
Freeholders .....	{ Thomas Lawrie
	{ Robert Pearson
Surveyors of the	{ Samuel Allen
Highways .....	{ Thomas Thorn
Overseers of the	{ William Miller
Highways .....	{ Samuel Hill
Overseers for the	{ Joseph Chambers
Poor .....	{ John Coalman

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Assessor ..... Abraham Skirm  
 Collector ..... Joseph Chambers  
 Town Clerk ..... Isaac Pearson

This Meeting thinks it Necessary to have a Committee for the year Insuing, to Raise money for the use of the Poor, to Transact the Towns Business, to settle Accompts with the several officers of the Township of Nottingham, Therefore the following Persons are chosen to that service viz<sup>t</sup> John Abbott, Thomas Lawrie, Samuel Allen, William Miller, Robert Pearson, Joseph Scholey, and Isaac Pearson.

Agreed that the Next Towns Meeting be held at the House of Michael Nowlands or the House where he now lives.

Isaac Pearson, Clerk.

1771  
 3, Month  
 12 Day

At a Towns Meeting held at the House of Michael Nowlands at the White Horse, the following officers were chosen for the year Insuing &c. viz<sup>t</sup>

Officers Chosen are

Surveyors of the	{ Samuel Allen
Highways .....	{ Thomas Thorn
For Constables .....	William Cubberly
Freeholders .....	{ Thomas Lawrie
	{ Robert Pearson
Overseers of the	{ Richard Appleton
Highways .....	{ Joseph Borden
Overseers of the	{ John Coalman
Poor .....	{ Michael Rogers
Assessor .....	Abraham Skirm
Collector .....	John Coalman
Town Clerk .....	Isaac Pearson

This meeting thinks it Necessary to have a Committee for the year Insuing to settle the Accounts of the Township to Raise Money for the

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use of the Poor & to Transact the Publick Business of the Town therefore the following Persons is chose to that service viz<sup>t</sup> John Abbott, Thomas Lawrie, Joseph Chambers, Thomas Thorn, John Taylor and Robert Pearson.

Ordered that the Towns Meeting be held Next Year at the House of Joseph Chambers  
 Isaac Pearson, Clerk

1772  
 3, Month  
 10 Day

At a Towns Meeting of the Township of Nottingham at the House of Joseph Chambers when the following Officers were chosen & Business Transacted &c

Officers chosen are

For Constable .....	Daniel Tilton
Freeholders .....	{ Thomas Lawrie
	{ Isaiah Robins
Surveyors of the	{ Samuel Allen
Highways .....	{ Thomas Thorn
Overseers of the	{ John Hutchinson
Highways .....	{ Daniel Tilton
Assessor .....	Abraham Skirm
Overseers for the	{ Samuel Hill
Poor .....	{ Nathaniel Robins
Collector .....	Nathaniel Robins
Town Clerk .....	Isaac Pearson

This Meeting thinks it Necessary to have a Committee for the Year Insuing to settle the accounts of the Overseers of the poor, to Raise money for the use of the Poor if it appears that any may be wanted for the year ensuing, and to Transact the Publick Business of the Township, therefore the following Persons is appointed to that Service viz<sup>t</sup> John Abbott, Thomas Lawrie, John Cubberly, Isaiah Robins, Abram Skirm John Taylor & Isaac Pearson.

Ordered that the Committee now chosen do meet at the House of Robert Quigleys on the Seventh Day Immediately before the Next Annual Towns Meeting at 10, OClock before Noon in order to settle the accounts of the Overseers of the Poor or any other accts that may be Necessary.

Ordered that Abraham Skirm Transcribe the Minutes of this Town that is not enterd in the Bound Book (by the Next Towns Meeting) and that he be paid for the Same what such a Service is Reasonably worth.

Ordered that the Next Towns Meeting be held at the House of Robert Quigleys the ensuing year

Isaac Pearson, Clerk

At the above Towns Meeting its thought it might be of Some Service to order Copys of all Duplicates for this year to be entered in the Bound Book or so much as contains the Names of the Inhabitants.

Jesse Waln	James Ashmore
Samuel Wright	Matthew Aukerman
Elisha Thomas	*Hugh Runyan
Wooliston Redmond	*Daniel Coxe
Jonathan Richmond	*Dr William Bryant
*Atchsha Lambert	William Carr
John Jones	William Thompson
Ezekial Jobbs	William Roscow
James Freeze	*James Matthews
John Ryall	Henry Drake
*William Sprowles	Benjamin Waglum
James Mulladay	*John Dougles
John Jobs	*Elijah Bond
Richard Jobs	Isaiah Hopkins
*Alexander Dougles	Moses Woods
John Clunn	Taurence Quigley
Thomas Shapeck	*Samuel Meredith

*Godfrey Weymar	*William Pidgeon
John Taylor, Weaver	*John Watson
*Jacob Link	William Isles
*George Brown	*Isaac Pearson Esq
Jemima Ely	Abraham Vanwoglam
Abraham Cherry	*George Plato
*Timothy Abbott	*Anne Thomas
*Robert Pearson	James Clayton
*Thomas Lawrie	*Jacob Cook
Allexander Glass	*Samuel Radford
*William Lewis	*Hugh Newell
Christopher Curtiss	*Michael Rogers
Joseph Bunting	*John Quicksall
Robert Quigley	Allexander Gawff
Aaron Quigley	William Cawley
James Cobson	*David Wright
*Isaiah Robins	Cathrine Jervis
*Charles Vandike	*Humphry Waln
*Joseph Schooley	*John Bruce
*John Cubberly	*William Allen
*Abraham Skirm	*Joseph Burden, Juner
Nathaniel Adams	*Thomas Thorn
*Thomas Middleton	*Joseph Thorn
Adam M <sup>c</sup> Clary	*Daniel Tilton
*Jacob Middleton	*John Culp
Peter Potter	*Samuel Allen
Christopher Mires	*Francis Burden
Aaron Mires	*Daniel Hendrickson
*Guisbert Hendrickson	Isaac Airy
Abraham Hendrickson	Thomas Stannup
Daniel Quigley	William Boulting
*David Rewlong	George Miller
Soloman Chambers	Walter Vanskiver
*Nathaniel Robins	*John Brown
*Thomas Shreive	*Amos Smith
Cornelas Kennyday	Joseph Elliss
Peter Curtiss	George Sinclair
Robert Marlon	George Beaty
*John Pearson	*John Cornish
*Moses Quigley	*Joseph Smith
*Jacob Still	*William Foard
Fossett Coxe	John Coalman
*Isaac Quigley	(Son of Robt)
*John Quigley	Charles Coalman
William Chambers	*Eliakim Anderson



