

2<sup>d</sup>. To see whether the Town will hire lecturers to gather in the Taxes in sd Town for this present year.

3<sup>d</sup>. To choose a Committee to join with the Selectmen of sd Town to fix upon & lay out a highway from Joseph Mochers in Conanicut village to Freetown line so as to meet with the highway laid out & to be laid out from Acushanet village by Noah Allins homestead towards Freetown line as may be most convenient for the publick & least damage to particulers: and fail not to make return hereof & your doings thereon to the Town clerk or Selectmen of sd Town on or before sd day.

Dated at Dartmo. this seventh day of December A. T. 1749.

Richard Pierce } Selectmen  
John Wing } of  
Olleg Buddelstone } Dartmouth

Persuant to this within written warrant I have notified the inhabitants of Dartmouth to meet at the time and place within mentioned. For me  
John Shephard. Constable x

Feb. 12: 1749 Brielol ss. To the Constables of Dartmouth or either of them greeting:  
In his Majesty's name you are required forthwith to notify and warn all the freeholders & other inhabitants of Dartmouth afore sd qualified to vote as the law directs in Town affairs that they meet to gather at ye Town house in sd Town on ye twentieth day of February at twelve of ye clock there & there to act on the particulers hereafter mentioned. viz:

1<sup>st</sup>. To choose Town officers in ye room of those which were chosen at ye last Town

meeting in March last past & since & refused to take their places.

2<sup>d</sup>. For the Town to consider whether it may not yet be proper for ye Constable or Constables that is to be chosen at this meeting to have the same allowance given them as there is voted to Henry Howland & Natharr Pottin son of John which is chosen for this present year.

And make return of this Warrant with your doings therein to the Town clerk or me or either of us ye subscribers at or before ye twentieth of this instant.

Richard Pearce } Selectmen of  
John Wing } Dartmouth

Dartmouth February 12: 1749

Dartmouth 1749 by virtue of this within written warrant I have notified the inhabitants of sd Town by me.

Henry Howland Constable

At a Town meeting held at the Town House Feb. 20: 1749 in Dartmouth, on the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month called February 1749:

John King was chosen Moderator for sd meeting

David Macy was chosen Constable in the room of Lemuel Mendal who refused to serve. Voted that David Macy shall have twenty-five pound old tenor for serving Constable if he will serve.

This meeting is adjourned to the 26 of this month at 12 of the clock.

The 26<sup>th</sup> of the month called February 1749: Feb. 26: 1749

The Town met according to adjournment and chose Thomas Handy Constable in the room of David Macy who refused to serve.

Voted that Thomas Handy shall have twenty-five pound old tenor for serving Constable if

he will serve.

This meeting is adjourned to the sixth day of March at ten of the clock in the forenoon.

1749<sup>50</sup> Mch. 6: 1749<sup>50</sup> The sixth of the month called March 1749<sup>50</sup>.  
The Town met according to adjournment and chose Joseph Wing Junior Constable in the room of Thomas Handy who refused to serve.  
Voted that Joseph Wing Junior shall have twenty five pound old tiner for serving Constable if he will serve.

1750 Mch. 26: 1750 At a Town meeting held at the Town house in Dartmouth on the 26th of the month called March 1750:  
Humphrey Smith was chosen Moderator for said meeting:  
Humphrey Smith, Jedediah Wood Thomas Hathaway was chosen Selectmen:  
Jereh Swift Richard Cornell and James Barker was chosen Overseers of the poor:  
Jabez Barker was chosen Town clerk and he took his place the same day.  
Bartholomew Taber Benjamin Akin Richard Cornell chosen assessors:  
Captain William Wood was chosen Town Treasurer and agreed with to serve for the old price.  
Thomas Briggs Jeremiah Wait Thomas Pope was chosen Constables.  
Thomas Briggs and Jeremiah Wait declared their refusal to serve Constables.  
Captain Henry Tucker was chosen Constable and declared his refusal to serve.  
John Russell of Methuen was chosen Constable in the room of Captain Henry Tucker.  
George Tripp was chosen Constable in the room of Jeremiah Wait who refused to serve. x

Nicholas Howland John Wilbor was chosen Constables in the room of John Russell and George Tripp who refused to serve.

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Nicholas Howland refused to serve.

Henry Wilbor was chosen Constable in the room of Nicholas Howland who refused to serve.

Henry Wilbor refused to serve and William Rider was chosen Constable in the room of Henry Wilbor who refused to serve.

Samuel Hathaway Joseph Spooner Stephen West John Bennett William Spooner Robert Barker David Smith Benjamin Howland Jonathan Smith George Smith William Hart Holder Locom Ebenezer Fitch Joseph Eeland Timothy Gifford John Lawton James Cornell Stephen Wilcox Charles Dyer Thomas Kempton was chosen Surveyors of Highways.

Jonathan Huesey William Sanford Thomas Pope and wainwright Jethro Hathaway Timothy Tripp Joseph Tripp was chosen Fence viewers.  
Jedediah Hamon Phillip Mosher Jonathan Shearman was chosen Cythingmen.

John Briggs George Lawton William Bennett was chosen Deer reeves.

Thomas Handy William Kerby William Colloday Nochepeas Hart, Benjamin Tripp Joseph Tripp Junior was chosen Hogreaves.  
Schabud Potter Jonathan Rickitson James Cushman was chosen Leather sealers.

Voted that there shall be one school master for the Town this year.

Stephen West Benjamin Akin and Edward Cornell were chosen a committee agreeable to the forth article in the Warrant for calling this meeting.

This meeting is adjourned to the 3rd Tuesday of May next.

Mch. 13: 1749 Prietol ss. To the Constables of the Town of  
 Dartmouth or either of them Greeting:  
 In his Majesties name you are hereby re-  
 quired forth with to notify and warn all the  
 free holders & other inhabitants of said Town  
 qualified to vote in Town affairs as the  
 law directs to meet at the Town house in  
 said Town at nine of the clock in ye forenoon  
 on Monday the twenty six day of this instant  
 March then and there to act on ye petition  
 here hereafter mentioned (viz: )  
 First. To choose Town officers for ye year  
 ensuing as the law directs.  
 Andly To vote such sum or sums of money  
 as may be thought necessary for defraying  
 Town charges.  
 3dly For ye Town to consider & vote for one  
 or more schoolmasters for the ensuing years.  
 4. To examine all accounts brought into  
 sd meeting or to chuse a committee to exam-  
 ine & settle such accounts & all other accounts  
 not then brought in and also sd committee  
 to make report of such accounts as they  
 have examined at the next Town meeting  
 for sd Towns acceptance & approbation.  
 5. Whereas application hath been made  
 to us the Selectmen of said Town for the  
 laying out a way by Abraham Russells  
 across Shingle Island to Freetown line and  
 from Joseph Mochers over ye wading place  
 to said Freetown line and having attempted  
 in part to lay out both ways and for the  
 Town to accept or non accept what the Select-  
 men have don respecting said ways.  
 And make return hereof to us or either of us  
 the subscribers or the Town betwixt on or before  
 said day. Hereof fail not.  
 Given under our hands at Dartmouth this  
 13th day of March 1749:

Richard Pierce } Selectmen of  
 Peleg Buddleton } Dartmouth  
 Pursuant to the within written warrant I have  
 notified the Town to meet at time and place  
 within mentioned.  
 by me Nathaniel Patter Constable.

At a Town meeting held at the Town house April 26: 1750  
 in Dartmouth on the 26th of the month called  
 April 1750:  
 Jedediah Wood was chosen Moderator for sd  
 meeting.  
 William Shearman son of William Shearman  
 Peleg Shearman William Wood glazier was  
 chosen Grand jurymen for the Superior  
 Court.

15th The fifteenth of the month called May 1750: May 15: 1750.  
 The Town mett according to adjournment:  
 John Shepherd was chosen overseer of the  
 poor in the room of James Barker deceased.  
 Thomas Page junior William Earl John  
 Wing was chosen Constables: John Tirk-  
 ham was chosen Surveyor of highways.  
 John Russell John Pottis James Leckman  
 was chosen Pound Keepers.  
 William Kerley Selk Haman was chosen  
 Hoqueavers.  
 Voted that there shall be raised by way of  
 rate one hundred and thirty three pound  
 six shillings and eight pence lawfull money  
 to defray Town charges.  
 Voted that the way laid out by Humphrey  
 Smith Jedediah Wood Thomas Hathaway  
 the second day of the third month 1750  
 that comes from the way that leads from the  
 north east corner of Robert Kerleys homestead  
 shall be recorded.  
 Voted that the way laid out by Thomas

Hathaway Humphry Smith Jedediah Wood  
the 14th of the 3rd month 1750: running from  
Isaac Spooners homestead shall be recorded.  
Voted that the way laid out the 2 day of the  
3<sup>d</sup> month 1750: by Humphry Smith Thomas  
Hathaway Jedediah Wood that begins at a  
stake standing in the dividing line between  
Isaac Allens land and the land of the Gif-  
fords shall be recorded.

Apr. 15: 1757 April ye 15th day 1757:  
Then Joseph Smith son of Eliphub Smith  
was entred miller to his fathers grist mill  
in Dartmouth and attended sd mill from ye  
11th day of February past: his said father  
being seventy nine years of age and under  
poor circumstances: so that I am obliged to  
take care of him every night and morning.  
Attest: Benj<sup>n</sup> Alkin Town clerk. x

June 4: 1750. At a Town meeting held at the Town house  
in Dartmouth on the fourth of the month  
called June 1750:  
Jedediah Wood was chosen Moderator for  
sd meeting.  
Peter Richman John Lerandon Richard  
Hathaway was chosen standing Grand jury  
men for the year.

Dec. 3: 1750. At a Town meeting held at the Town house  
in Dartmouth on the 3rd day of the month  
called December 1750:  
Jedediah Wood was chosen Moderator for  
sd meeting.  
William Carl Henry Tucker Junior and  
William Brownell was chosen constables in  
the room of them that was chosen at the annual  
meeting in March last past or since and neg-  
lect or refuse to take their places. x

Bristol ss.

Nov. 17: 1750

To the Constables of the Town of Dartmouth  
or either of them Greeting:  
In his majesties name you are hereby forth  
with required to notific<sup>all</sup> the freeholders and  
other inhabitants of sd Town that are qualli-  
fied to vote in Town meetings that they meet  
together at the Town house in sd Town on the  
third day of December next after date at elev-  
en o'clock in the forenoon on sd day then and  
there to act on the particulars hereafter men-  
tioned.

Firstly Whereas the constables that was  
chose at the annual meeting in March last  
past and at the adjournment of sd meeting  
since have neglected or refused to take their  
respective places:

Now for the Town at sd meeting to choose  
constables in the room of them that was  
chosen as aforesaid and all other Town  
officers that may be wanting in the rooms  
of any that hath been chose at the meeting  
aforesaid and have not taken their places.  
And make return of this warrant and  
your doings thereon unto the clerk of  
sd Town at or before the time of sd meeting.  
Given under our hands in Dartmouth this  
17th day of November 1750.

Humphry Smith } Selectmen  
Jedediah Wood } of  
Tho<sup>s</sup> Hathaway } Dartmouth

I have notifi and warnd afe freeholders and  
other inhabitants to appear at the Town  
house in Dartmouth on the third day of  
December 1750:

by me Henry Howland Constable.

Jan. 21: 1750. Bristol ss. To the Constables of the Town of Dartmouth or either of them Greeting:

In his majesties name you are hereby forth with required to notific all ye free holders and other inhabitants of sd Town that are qualified to vote in Town meetings that they meet together at the Town house in sd Town on the fourth day of February next after date at eleven of the clock on sd day then and there to act on the particulars hereafter mentioned.

Firstly Whereas the Town at the anual meeting in March for the choice of Town officers chose Constables which did not take their respective places and at a Town meeting since there was Constables in their rooms of them that was chosen at aforesd and have refused or neglected to take their places as the law directs and now for the Town to proceed and choose Constables in the rooms of them that was last chosen and

Make return of this warrant and your doings therein unto ye Town clerk at or before the time of sd meeting.

Given under our hands in Dartmouth this 21st day of January 1750.

Humphry Smith } Selectmen of  
Jedediah Wood } Dartmouth

Persuant to within ritten I have notified the Town to meet at time and place.

By me Nathaniel Patter Constable.

Feb. 24: 1750 At a Town meeting held at the Town house in Dartmouth on the fourth day of the month called February 1750:

William Holladay was chosen Moderator for sd meeting.

Henry Wilbor Nathaniel Patter son of Samuell Patter and Francis Allen was chosen Constables in the room of them that

was chosen last.

xJ

Bristol ss. To the Constables of ye Town of Dartmouth or either of them Greeting: Feb. 26: 1750

In his majesties name you are hereby forth with required to notific all ye free holders and other inhabitants of sd Town that are qualified to vote in Town meetings that they meet together at ye Town house in sd Town on the fourth day of March next after date at eleven of ye clock on sd day in the forenoon then and there to act on the particulars hereafter mentioned.

Firstly. whereas there was Constables chosen at ye anual Town meeting in March last past for choosing Town officers and at several Town meetings since and have refused or neglected to take their places Now for the Town to choose Constables in ye rooms of them that was last chosen and make return of this warrant and your doings therein unto the clerk of sd Town at or before the time of sd meeting.

Fail not. Given under our hands at Dartmouth this twenty sixth day of February 1750

Jedediah Wood } Selectmen of  
Humphry Smith } Dartmouth

Persuant to ye within warrant I have wored the inhabitants as within named to appear at time.

By me Henry Howland Constable.  
March ye 4 1750

At a Town meeting held at the Town house in Dartmouth on the fourth day of the month called March 1750:

Humphry Smith was chosen Moderator for said meeting.

William Gifford son of Jeremiah Stephens Beck <sup>here ends</sup>  
 ham Junior Phillip Cannon were chosen <sup>to be</sup> Juries  
 stable in the room of them that was last <sup>Barker</sup>  
 chosen and refused or neglected to serve. <sup>Record.</sup>

- March 6: 1750 Bristol vs. To the Honetables of Dartmouth or  
 either of them Greeting:  
 In his Majesties Name you are hereby  
 forthwith required to notify and warn  
 all the free holders and other inhabitants of  
 sd Town that are qualified to vote in Town  
 meetings that they meet together at the Town  
 house in sd Town on the twenty fifth day  
 of this instant March a ten a clock in the  
 forenoon on sd day then and there to act on  
 the particulars hereafter mentioned.  
 Firstly. To choose Town officers for the year  
 ensuing as ye law directs.  
 Secondly. To choose a County Treasurer and  
 a County Register as ye law directs.  
 3ly. To receive the accounts of those that  
 have demands on the Town or otherwise choose  
 a Com<sup>ts</sup> in behalf of sd Town to settle ac-  
 counts with them and report to sd Town  
 what they find due to or from sd Town;  
 and also cloath said Com<sup>ts</sup> or either of them  
 with suitable power to call all those persons  
 to account that have any of the Towns money  
 or the Poores thereof in their hands and re-  
 fuse or neglect to account with sd Com<sup>ts</sup> or  
 further or otherwise do in the affare as the  
 Town at sd meeting may think proper  
 anyways relating to the affare.  
 4ly. To choose a Com<sup>ts</sup> to make up accounts  
 with our present Town Treasurer and make  
 report to said Town.  
 5ly. To conclude how many school masters  
 there shall be upon the Towns account ye  
 ensuing year and how they shall be provid-

ed. 6ly. To conclude upon the providing of  
 a work house and where to sett it as there  
 is great need of one for ye reception of those  
 idle persons that goe up and down in sd  
 Town spending their time, thereby in dangers  
 sd Town of being off charge with them when  
 past their labour.

7ly. To remove ye Town house to some suit-  
 eable place and form some part of it into a  
 work house whereby to save a great charge  
 off building one separate from it or other  
 wise do in the affare as the Town at sd  
 meeting may think proper.

8ly. To agree on a sum of money to be rais-  
 ed by way of Tax on the inhabitants of sd  
 Town for the paying of school masters and  
 other necessary charges arising within  
 sd Town.

9ly. To except or disexcept of the returns  
 of ways laid out by the Selectmen.

10ly. Whereas the Town at the annual  
 meeting in March past excepted of an open  
 way through constant Masher land  
 now for the Town to vote sd Masher such  
 allowance as the Town may think proper  
 for sd way.

11ly. For the Town to shew their minds  
 where ye lack of sd Town shall record a  
 paper or not that Seth Spooner left with  
 Jabez Barker concerning a child that ye  
 sd Spooner said he took up near by his house

12ly. whereas there hath been several persons  
 come from other Towns to reside in This Town  
 and several children brought into sd Town  
 from Rhode Island Government: Now for the  
 Town to conclude at sd meeting what shall  
 be done with them for the Towns security.

13ly. Whereas for the year 1750 there hath  
 been no constable for said Town that have

taken these places to sd office whereby the rates for sd year are uncollected. Now for ye Town to choose a collector or collectors to collect the sd rates as aforesd or other wise do in the affare as the Town at ye sd meeting may think proper.

And make return of this Warrant and your doings there on unto the lelerk of sd Town at or before the time of sd meeting: fail not. Given under our hands in Dartmouth this six day of March A.D. 1750.

Humphry Smith } Selectmen of  
Jedediah Wood } Dartmouth  
Pursuant to the within warrant I have worried to Town to meet at time and place as within expreat.

For me Henry Howland Constable.

Mich. 25: 1751 A Town meeting held at the Town house in Dartmouth on the 25th of the month called March 1751:

Humphry Smith was chosen Moderator for sd meeting.

Thomas Hathaway Benjamin Akin and Jonathan Sole was chosen Selectmen.

It was put to vote whether the Town would have Overseers of the Poor separate from the Selectmen or not and it past in the negative.

John Shephard and Jiah Swift was chosen Selectmen in the room of Thomas Hathaway and Benjamin Akin who refused to serve.

This meeting is adjourned by a vote of the Town to the third day of the week in the month called May at ten of the clock in the forenoon.

May 29<sup>th</sup> 1751 The Town met according to adjournment. The vote for Jonathan Sole being Selectman was reconsidered and Jedediah Wood was chosen

Selectman in his room.

Bartholomew Taber was chosen Town lelerk.

Deleg Smith Thomas Howland and Bartholomew Taber were chosen Assessors for the year ensuing. Voted that Jedediah Wood Benjamin Akin and Bartholomew Taber shall be a Commit<sup>tee</sup> to act pursuant to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Article in the Warrant for calling this meeting with such further power than is therein particularly given as for any one of them to sue any person in behalf of sd Town that shall be or is indebted to sd Town or the poor thereof and refuse to pay the same and pursue the same to final judgment and execution and to make an attorney under him to pursue the same as aforesaid.

Pursuant to the fourth Article of sd Warrant Jedediah Wood Benjamin Akin and Bartholomew Taber was chosen a commit<sup>tee</sup> to make up with the Town Treasurer and make report to sd Town.

Pursuant to 5<sup>th</sup> Article the Town voted that there should be one School Master and no more for the year ensuing.

Pursuant to the sixth Article it was voted that there should be a work house provided and that Colonel Samuel Willis Humphry Smith and Jedediah Wood be a committee to concert proper measures to provide the same and likewise to take into consideration the seventh Article in sd Warrant relating to the moving the Town house and forming some part of it into a work house and to make report to the meeting at the adjournment.

This meeting is adjourned by a vote of the Town to the first second day of July at 10 o'clock in ye forenoon.

May 29: 1751 At a Town meeting held at the Town house in Dartmouth May the 29th 1751:

Jahy Barker was chosen Moderator for sd meeting.

Jonathan Hathaway Thomas Bell and Peter Davis were chosen standing grand jurors for the year ensuing.

July 1: 1751 July the 1st being the first second day of the Month the Town met according to the adjournment of the Annual meeting & it was Voted that ye returns of two ways should go to record that was laid out or altered by the Selectmen for the year 1750 bearing date March ye 22<sup>nd</sup> 1750 one going from Peleg Shermans land to the south side of the Wilcocks land, the other from the south east corner of Jonathan Tabers homestead to the country road Rhode by George Sawtours.

At said meeting pursuant to the seventh article the following was put to vote and passed in the negative.

Whereas there is a number of the inhabitants of the Town of Dartmouth are desirous that the Town house should be removed from where it now stands to the north westerly part of Barnabas Coals homestead for the encouragement of which they have made certain subscriptions as may appear by three several papers now laying on the Board with their names thereto subscribed bearing date July the 1st 1751 in & by which they implicitly promise that they will remove said house without charging the Town any thing for it or for the land whereon it shall stand.

Now all of you that are willing that the sd Town house should be removed from the place where it now stands to the north westerly corner of David Coals homestead provided the late subscribers will procure a good deed lawfully executed. of 27

parts of an acre of land in sd north westerly corner and take down sd house and remove it thereon at their own charge so as it may be there standing in as good order and repair as it now is so as said Town house and said two Quarters of an acre of land may there be the Towns as it now is with the land above said; so as the Town is not charged for neither house nor land nor the removing thereof provided the same is done at or before the first day of October next ensuing.

The eleventh article in sd warrant was put to vote and passed in the negative.

Voted that the request that was put in by seven or more freeholders of the Town for reconsidering the Vote relating to the moving the Town house should be referred to the adjournment of this meeting.

This meeting is adjourned by a Vote of the Town to the first second day of August.

August the fifth being the first second day Aug. 5: 1751 in said month the Town met according to the adjournment and

Paul Brownel, William Hoar, and Joseph Reese were chosen Constables for the ensuing year. Honewell Hathaway, Aaron Jenne, Benjamin Peirce, Samuel Cornick, William Kinton, Samual Hathaway, Seth Hathaway, Edward Cornall, Stephen Willcocks, Peris Richmond, Nathaniel Patten Stokes son, John Davis, Peleg Smith, Henry Wilbour Capt William Wood, Noah Allen, Abraham Sherman David Shepherd and William Wood son of William Wood were chosen Surveyors of highways for the year ensuing.

Peris Richmond & and John Davis declared their refusal to serve and George Brownel and John Wilbour were chosen in their steads. The Committee appointed to consult proper meas-

use to provide a work house and likewise to take into consideration the seventh article in sd Warrant relating to the moving the Town house and forming some part of it into a work house made report as follows. (viz)

It would be for the interest of ye Town as the Vote is already past for the building of a work house to remove the Town house as aforesaid, and as there is a piece of land in William Sanfords homestead adjoining upon the road that leads by sd Sanfords to the head of the river containing one quarter of an acre of which the said Sanford is ready to give or procure a lawful deed to sd Town for the use of sd Town as aforesaid: sd place we judge to be a suitable place for to sett sd houses and more suitable for the advantage of the Town and nearer the centre than where the Town house now stands. It was put to vote whether the above sd report should be excepted and sd Town house be removed to sd place and it passed in the negative. The Com<sup>th</sup> appointed to settle with those persons that have demands on the Town and to make up with the Town Treasurer reported according to order, and it was Voted that there should be one hundred pound lawful money raised by way of tax to defray Town charges for the year ensuing.

Sept. 10: 1751 Bristol ss.

To the Constables of the Town of Dartmouth or either of them: You are hereby in His Majesty's Name forthwith required to notify and warn all the free holders and other inhabitants of sd Town that are qualified by law to vote in Town meetings that they meet together at the Town house in sd Town on the twenty sixth day of this instant at ten o'clock in the forenoon on sd day then and there to act on the petition here.

after mentioned.

Directly for that whereas there is many Town officers that was chosen in the Annual Town meeting last past for choosing Town officers that have not taken their places to their offices.

Now for the Town to proceed at sd meeting and chose others in the roomes of them as above said.

2ly. Whereas there was a request directed to us the subscribers signed by more than ten free holders of sd Town that we would insert in this warrant the words following. To pass a Vote for the removing the Town house from the place where it now stands to a piece of land containing one quarter of an acre in William Sanfords homestead adjoining on the road that leads by sd Sanfords to the head of the river. Said lot of land being procured for said use for the reasons following.

Directly for that said Town built sd house for the use of sd Town to meet in for the carrying on and managing the prudential affairs of said Town but was so imprudent as to sett the same on land belonging to ye proprietors of sd Town, and never by said proprietors given to said Town nor yet by them lawfully appropriated to that use which rendere said house in danger of being taken by execution with the Land from sd proprietors as part of sd land was once before.

3ly For that whereas the eastuly and westuly villiges in said Town experience teacher, has often neglected and omitted their duty in coming to said meetings to help carry on and manage the affairs of sd Town especially in the difficult season of the year and foul weather (and they not in danger of being chosen

in troublesome offices) and so has at such times trusted and almost intirely relyed and depended on the middle village of which ye body of ye people therein inhabiting live remote from sd house to do all the business of sd Town which sd middle village is obliged to do ths a hardship: otherwise sd Town would have incurred many a fine for neglect of duty, ye want of brand and Pettit jaymyn and other ways suffered.

Thirdly that whereas the workhouse already agreed on may be built an addition to said house which might afford room for persons committed to work in when not meet in by the inhabitants of sd Town being the most commodious place for that purpose in sd Town over which the above sd Town might have ye better inspection at sd meeting if near or adjoining.

Fourthly for that the above said land to remove sd house to and the removing of said house has been offered to be procured and done by particuler persons without a general charge to sd Town -

Thirdly to choose an agent or more to prefer a petition to the General Court for the settling a jurisdiction line between Dartmouth and Rochester and make return of this Warrant at or before said meeting to the Town clerk or either of us the subscribers.

Given under our hands in Dartmouth this tenth day of September 1751.

Jedediah Wood } Selectmen of  
John Shephard } Dartmouth

Pursuant to the within written warrant I have notified and warned the Town to meet at time and place within mentioned by posting up notifications in three several places in the Town. Pr mee Henry Howland Constable.

At a Town meeting held at the Town house Sept 26: 1751 in Dartmouth on the twenty sixth day of September 1751:

Stephen West was chosen Moderator to regulate the business of the meeting.

Thomas Howland was chosen Assessor by reason that he was not warned to take his place when chosen at the annual meeting last.

Jonathan Cole George Badcock and George Smith were chosen Constables in the room of those that were chosen at the annual meeting and would not serve.

Pursuant to the second article in ye warrant for calling this meeting it was voted

that the Town house should be removed to the place mentioned in the warrant provided the land be procured, and the house removed and sett thereon in as good repair as it now stands where it is by Abraham Sherman Humphry Smith Isaac Howland and Golder Slocum without a general charge to said Town there to be the Towns forever after.

Pursuant to the third article Humphry Smith was chosen agent to prefer a petition to the General Court for the settling a jurisdiction line between Dartmouth and Rochester.

Orictal ss.

To the Constables of the Town of Dartmouth Nov. 15: 1751 or either of them Greeting.

In His Majestys Name you are required hereby forthwith to notify and warn the inhabitants of our Town that are qualified to act in Town meetings that they meet together at the Town house in Dartmouth on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of this instant November at eleven of the clock in the forenoon then and there to act on

the particulars hereafter mentioned.

Firstly whereas at our Annual meeting in March past there was three constables chosen and refused to serve and several have been chosen since and likewise refused to serve and now the Province Tax is made and return made to the Province Treasurer that we have no constables and it is to be feared that if we do not speedily supply the Town that there will be collectors sent from Boston.

Therefore to chuse three constables in the room of those that was last chosen and refused to serve:

Or for the Town at sd meeting to hire the constables that are now in being to collect the Taxes for this present year and the year back or for the Town at sd meeting to act on that particular as they shall think proper.

2ly. Whereas our Town had no valuation taken when it was required and we are great sufferers thereby for the Town at sd meeting to chuse an Agent to prefer a petition to the General Court that the valuation may yet be taken.

And make return of this Warrant to the Town betwixt at or before sd meeting.

Given under our hands in Dartmouth this fifteenth day of November 1751.

Jedediah Wood } Selectmen  
John Shepherd } of  
Jesse Swift } Dartmouth

Dartmouth November the 29th 1751.

The pursuant, this within written Warrant I have notified and warned the freeholders and other inhabitants.

By me Henry Howland Constable.

At a Town meeting held at the Town house Nov. 29. 1751 in Dartmouth on the twenty ninth day of November 1751:

Humphry Smith was chosen Moderator to regulate the business of the meeting.

At sd meeting pursuant to the first article in the warrant for calling the meeting it was Voted that Henry Howland should have twenty four pound allowed him for his extraordinary services and for collecting all the taxes in sd Town for the years 1750 and 1751

Captain Nathaniel Solo was chosen Agent to prefer a petition to the General Court pursuant to the second Article in sd Warrant.

Or else or.

To the constables of the Town of Dartmouth or either of them, Greeting.

In His Majesty's Name you are hereby forthwith required to notify all the freeholders and other inhabitants of sd Town that are qualified by law to vote in Town meetings, that they meet together at the Town house in sd Town on the twenty third day of this instant March at ten of the clock in the fore-noon on sd day, then and there to act on the particulars hereafter mentioned.

1ly To chuse Town Officers for the ensuing year as the law directs:-

2ly To conclude how many school masters there shall be provided by the Selectmen for the service of the Town the ensuing year.

3ly. Whereas there is a request that directed to us ye subscribers signed by more than ten freeholders, that we would call a Town meeting or insert in our next warrant for calling one, the words

following (viz) To see if the persons who carried away the Town house will bring it back again and sett it up in the same place where they took it from or not in or good repair as it was when they took it away. x  
and for the Town to act on the affair as they shall think proper.

4ly. To choose a Com<sup>rs</sup> to make up accounts with our Town Treasurers: and others that have accounts with ye Town or otherwise for ye Town to do at sd meeting as they may think proper.

5ly To receive ye returns of ways laid out by the Selectmen.

6ly To conclude what sum of money there shall be raised by way of tax upon the inhabitants of said Town for the paying of schoolmasters and other charges arising within sd Town. And make return of this Warrant and your doings thereon unto the clerk of sd Town at or before the time of sd meeting.

And not.

Given under our hands in Dartmouth this tenth day of March 1752.

Indiah Wood	} Selectmen of Dartmouth.
John Shepherd	
Jirah Swift	

Dartmouth March the 23<sup>rd</sup> day.

Pursuant to this Warrant I have wored the free holders and other inhabitants.

By me Henry Howland. Constable.

Feb. 23: 1752. At a Town meeting held at the Town house in Dartmouth on the 23 day of March 1752 Humphrey Smith was chosen Moderator to manage and regulate the business of the meeting.

Capt Nathaniel Tale Peleg Smith and Jirah Swift were chosen Selectmen for the ensuing year.

Bartholomew Taber was chosen Town clerk Paul Brownel George Badcock and William Wood son of Wm. Wood were chosen Constables.

Stephen West. William Binnet. Thomas Kintow. Elkanah Morton Bartholomew Taber, George Smith, Benjamin Allen, Abraham Sherman, William Bowditch Jr. Benjamin Howland, Job Gifford, Jonathan Tale, William Gifford, Edward Bernal, John Davis, William Wood wididow's son, and George Brownel were chosen Surveyors of highways.

Thomas West shoemaker William Ricketson Jr. and Peleg Bernal were chosen Tithing men.

Thomas Pake shoemaker Henry Boddy and Philip Taber were chosen Fence viewer. Captain Nathaniel Tale Thomas Smith and Jirah Swift were chosen Overseers of the Poor.

In the second Article it was Voted that there should be one school master provided for the year ensuing.

On the third article in sd Warrant the following vote passed (that whereas William Sanford of Dartmouth Esq<sup>r</sup> did on the 25<sup>th</sup> of December 1751 by a deed of gift to the free inhabitants of said Town give one quarter of an acre of land for the use of sd Town for the Town house to stand on forever as expressed in sd deed) that said house should stand on sd lot rather than to be removed back to where it formerly stood at the charge of sd Town.

Pursuant to the 4<sup>th</sup> Article Stephen West

Humphrey Smith and Jeddediah Wood were chosen a committee to settle with the Town Treasurer and to examine accounts brought against the Town. Then the meeting was adjourned by a vote of the Town until the 3<sup>rd</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May next at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

May 19: 1752 May ye 19<sup>th</sup> 1752 being the 3<sup>rd</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> day in sd month the Town meet. George Badcock was excused from serving Constable by a vote of the Town. Noah Allen and John Slocum were chosen Surveyors of ways. William Wood Wm Woods son was excused from serving Constable by a vote of the Town. David Smith was chosen Overseer of the Poor in the room of Thomas Smith who refused to serve. Voted that there shall be one hundred and forty pounds lawful money raised by way of tax upon the inhabitants of the Town for the paying a school master and other charges arising within sd Town. Then the meeting was adjourned by a vote of the Town till the 1<sup>st</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September next at 10 o'clock in the forenoon. x

June 2: 1752 At a Town meeting held at the Town house in Dartmouth on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of June 1752: Peleg Smith was chosen Moderator for sd meeting. George Badcock Benjamin Briggs and Thomas Brownel junior were chosen Grand

jurors for the year ensuing.

At a Town meeting held at the Town house in Dartmouth on the first day of September 1752: Peleg Smith was chosen Moderator for sd meeting. Israel Shearman and Christopher Porden were chosen standing Grand-jurors in lieu of Benjamin Briggs and Thomas Brownel who were excused by the court.

September the first day (being the first third day in sd mo:) Sept 1: 1752 The Town met according to the adjournment of the annual meeting and further adjourned by a vote of the Town to the first Second day in October next stile

October the ninth being the second second day of the month the Town met according to adjournment and and further adjourned to the first Fifth day in November. Oct. 9: 1752

November the second being the first Fifth day in said month. Nov. 2: 1752 The Town met according to the adjournment and let fall or dissolved sd meeting.

Bristol: ss:

To the Constables of the Town of Dartmouth or either of them Greeting: Oct 16: 1752 In His Majesty's Name you are hereby forthwith required to notify and warn all ye Freeholders and other inhabitants of sd Town that are qualified by law to vote in Town meetings that they meet together at the Town

house in sd. Town on the first fifth day in November next at twelve o'clock on sd. day then and there to act on the particulars hereafter mentioned.

Whereas it remains difficult to gett Constables or collectors to collect the Publick taxes now for the Town to vote the sd. constables some encouragement for extraordinary service in collecting the Publick taxes for the year 1752 or otherwise for the Town to act and do at said meeting as they may think proper and what measures may be best for the collecting sd. taxes as aforesd.

Itly. whereas there is some remains in Henry Howlands Constables hands of the Town rate for the year 1750 Now for the Town to appoint some suitable person for to receive it for the use of sd. Town:

Or otherwise for the sd. Town to order and direct in ye affare as may be at said meeting thought proper:

And make return of this Warrant and your doings thereon unto ye clerk of sd. Town at or before the time of sd. meeting. Fail not.

Given under our hands in Dartmouth this 16th of October 1752.

Nathaniel Soule } Selectmen.  
 Pelig Smith }  
 Jrah Swift } Dartmouth

Pursuant to this within written warrant I have notific<sup>d</sup> and warn<sup>d</sup> the free holders and other inhabitants of the Town of Dartmouth to appear at the time and place by me Henry Howland Constable.

At a Town meeting held at the Town house in Dartmouth on the first fifth day of November 1752:

Nov. 2: 1752  
 being the second day of sd. month Humphrey Smith was chosen Moderator for sd. meeting:

Voted that Henry Howland Constable shall have ten pound lawful money paid him out of the Town Treasury for his extraordinary service of collecting his proportion of the public taxes of the Town of Dartmouth for the year 1752.

Voted that Nathaniel Patten the 3<sup>rd</sup> shall have ten pound lawful money paid him out of the Town Treasury for his extraordinary service of collecting his proportion of the public taxes of the Town of Dartmouth for the year 1752.

Voted that Joseph King Jun<sup>r</sup> Constable shall have thirteen pound six shillings and eight pence lawful money for his extraordinary service of collecting his proportion of the public taxes laid on the Town of Dartmouth for the year 1752 paid him out of the Town Treasury.

To the Honourable the Selectmen of the Town of Dartmouth. Gentlemen.

June 8: 1752  
 These may certify that Thomas Anthony hath moved out of our Town to the Town of Dartmouth he thinking it being for his advantage and if you will receive him and his family into your Town we will receive them back again at any time when they shall become chargeable provided you send them back as soon as they shall become chargeable they being inhabitants here. By order of council I have given forth this certificate Dartmouth June 8<sup>th</sup> 1752.

Robt Dennis Town Clerk.

The above sd certifiical was recorded by order of the Selectmen of Dartmouth by me Bartholomew Taber Town Clerk.

March 3: 1753 Bristol ss.

To ye Constables of the Town of Dartmouth or to any or to either of them Greeting &c.

These are in his Majesties Name to require you or either of you to timely warn all ye freeholders and other inhabitants of the Town of Dartmouth in New England qualified by law to act and vote in sd Town affairs in Town meetings that they assemble and meet at the Town house in said Dartmouth on the twentieth day of this instant March 1753 at eleven of the clock in the forenoon on sd day it being for the annual meeting and then and then to vote and act on the parties relate herein mentioned:

First To chuse all ye said Town officers as the law directs: to serve in their several and respective offices for the said Town this present year:

Secondly for the said Town to chuse a committee to regulate ye box for ye choice of men to serve on the Grand jury & Petit jury from time to time this present year.

Thirdly for the sd Town to consider whether it be reasonable to allow Daniel Sumner interest for the money due to him from ye sd Town for his long forbearance and to act and do as they shall think proper in said affair.

Fourthly that whereas Colonel Richman Sheriff of the said County complains that he is over rated and applies to the sd Town for their consideration if they think reasonable to act and abate part of his tax for the year 1751.

To make return of this warrant with your doings timely to the Town Clerk or any of sd Selectmen before the sd day of sd Annual meeting as you will answer your contempt or default.

Given under our hands and seals the third day of this instant March in the twenty sixth year of his Majesties Reign Annoque Domini 1753.

Nathaniel Towle } Selectmen for  
Peleg Smith } ye Town of  
Jirah Swift } Dartmouth.

Dartmouth March the 20th. 1753.

Pursuant to this Warrant I have notified and warned the free holders and other inhabitants of the Town of Dartmouth to appear at the time and place within mentioned.

By me Henry Howland Constable.

At an Annual Town meeting held at March 23: 1753 the Town house in Dartmouth on the twentieth day of March 1753:

Humphrey Smith was chosen Moderator to manage and regulate the business of the meeting.

Jethro Delano Jirah Swift and Capt. Nathaniel Towle were chosen Selectmen for the ensuing year.

Bartholomew Taber was chosen Town Clerk.

William Bennet Nathaniel Howland and William Wood George's son were chosen Constables for the year ensuing

Cyrus Tallman, William Sanford,  
Benjamin Briggs, William Parker,  
Celigier Smith, William Halladay,  
William Wood son of Mr. Wood,  
Abraham Shearman, Richard Kirby,  
Nathaniel Bowditch, Daniel Cornal, &  
Job Howland were chosen Surveyors of  
ways for Ponaganset village for the  
year ensuing.

Jonathan Soble, Peleg Cornal, Nathaniel  
Pattin Stokes son, Aaron Davis,  
Peleg Sherman, Joseph Allen, and  
Paul Brownel were chosen Surveyors  
of ways for Covert village for the ensue-  
ing year,

and Thomas Kempton, Aaron Junne  
Benjamin Pierce, Job Junne, Thomas  
Hardy, and Nathathan Pope for  
Acushnet Village.

Benjamin Howland, Daniel Summerton  
and Isaac Loase were chosen Tithing  
men for the year current.

Hezekiah Windlow, William Wood,  
Gazier, Giles Sloum, Henry Tucker  
Junior, Thomas West and William  
Gifford Ichriels<sup>r</sup> son were chosen  
Trece Viewers.

Schabod Potter, Thomas Dix and  
Jonathan Hathaway shoe maker were  
chosen Leather Sealers.

John Potter, Daniel Russell, and  
Thomas Pope Jr. were chosen Pound  
Keepers.

On the third article in the Warrant for  
calling this meeting it was  
Voted that Daniel Summerton should  
have lawful interest for one year past,  
for all his accounts against the Town  
that have been allowed by ye Town

On the fourth article it was  
Voted that the Assessors shall ease  
Silvester Richman in the next rate  
what they find he was over rated in  
the year 1751:  
and thus the meeting was dissolved  
by a vote of ye Town.

To ye Honetiables of Dartmouth or either of them, May 2: 1753  
Greeting:

In his Majesties Name you are required forth  
with to notify ye freeholders and other inhabi-  
tants of the Town of Dartmouth aforesaid, that  
they meet together at the Town house in said  
Dartmouth upon ye eighteenth day of this in-  
stant May at twelve of the clock on said day  
then and there to act on the following particu-  
lars.

- 1<sup>st</sup>. To choose Town officers in the room and  
place of those that was chose at our Annual  
Town meeting in March last past (for  
choosing Town officers) who neglect or  
refuse to take their places to ye respect-  
ive offices to which they were chosen.
- 2<sup>nd</sup>. To pass a vote for the raising money  
within said Town for ye defraying ye  
necessary charges arising within ye same  
for this present year.
- 3<sup>d</sup>. To pass a vote how many school masters  
shall be improved upon the Towns charge  
this present year.
- 4<sup>th</sup>. To choose a committee to settle ac<sup>ts</sup> with  
ye select men who served in the year 1752.
- 5<sup>th</sup>. To pass a vote for ye hiring collectors to  
collect ye Taxes in sd Town for this  
present year.
- 6<sup>th</sup>. To act and do what ye Town may think  
proffer at said meeting relating to the  
way through William Giffords land.

th. All persons which said Town are indebted to are desired to bring in their accounts to said meeting that ye Town may the better know what money to raise therein to defray ye charges therein already arisen.

Given under our Hands and Seals this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May A.D. 1753.

Nathaniel Lovel } Selectmen of  
 Jacob Swift } Dartmouth  
 Pursuant to this within written warrant I have notified and warned all the free holders and other inhabitants of ye Town of Dartmouth to appear at the time and place within mentioned.

By me Henry Howland. Constable

May 18: 1753

At a Town meeting held at the Town house in Dartmouth on the eighteenth day of May 1753:

Humphry Smith was chosen Moderator to manage the business of the meeting.

James Allen was chosen Select man in the room of Jethro Dilano who was chosen at the annual meeting in March last past for the choice of Town Officers and refused to serve.

William Brownel Silas Slocum and Thomas Long was chosen Constables in the roomes of those that were chosen at the aforesaid meeting and refused or neglected to take there place.

Voted that there shall be one hundred and forty pound lawful money raised by way of tax on the inhabitants of sd Town to defray the necessary charges arriuing within the same.

On the third article it was voted that there should be one school master provided for the ensuing year.

On the fourth article the following vote passed (viz)

that Stephen West Humphry Smith and Eddiack Wood shall be a committee to settle ac<sup>ts</sup> with the Select men for the year 1752 and to examine the accounts of all others that have ac<sup>ts</sup> with the Town.

Voted on the sixth article that Colonel Samuel Willis and Barth. Taber be and hereby are appointed to procure a copy of the Country road leading through the Town from Freetown to Rochester and to find where it goes as they may judge it necessary.

At a Town meeting held on the 18: of May May 18: 1753  
 Capt Natha<sup>l</sup> Lovel was chosen to represent the Town of Dartmouth at the General Court this present year

At a Town meeting held at the Town house in Dartmouth on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of June 1753:

Humphry Smith was chosen Moderator for sd meeting.

John June. Benjamin Cornal Wm Torr and James Lison were chosen standing Grand Jurours for the year current.

At a Town meeting held at the Town house in Dartmouth on the 25: of June 1753:  
 Jacob Swift was chosen Moderator for sd meeting.

Stephen West was chosen Grand Jurour for the next Superior Court of Judicature to be holden at Taunton within and for the County of Bristol on the second Tuesday of July next

July 30: 1753 To ye Constables of ye Town of Dartmouth or either of them Greeting.

These are in his Majesties Name to require you or either of you forthwith to notify and warn all the freeholders and other inhabitants of the Town of Dartmouth qualified by law to vote in Town affairs to assemble and meet at the Town house in Dartmouth on Monday ye thirteenth day of August next by eleven of the clock on said day: To chuse collectors to collect ye Province & County & Town taxes for this present year 1753:

or to make ye Constables of Dartmouth some reasonable allowance to collect ye same: or otherwise to act & do as the sd Town shall think proper and convenient in sd affair. Given under our hands and seal the thirtieth day of July 1753.

You are to make return of this Warrant timely at sd meeting. Hereof fail not as you will answer the contempt.

Nathaniel Soble } Selectmen of  
Jirah Swift } Dartmouth.

Dartmouth August the 13: 1753.

Pursuant to the within written Warrant I have warned the inhabitants of the Town of Dartmouth to meet at the time and place within mentioned.

For me Joseph King Constable.

Aug. 13: 1753 At a Town meeting held at the Town house in Dartmouth on the thirteenth day of August A.D. 1753:

Benjamin <sup>Atkin</sup> was chosen Moderator to regulate the business of the meeting. Voted that Henry Howland Nathaniel Cotton and Joseph King Constables of the Town of

Dartmouth shall have ten pound (each of them) for their extraordinary services of collecting the Province County and Town taxes for this present year 1753.

To the Constables of Dartmouth or either of them Greeting. Sept. 24: 1753

These are in his Majesties Name to require you or either of you forthwith to notify and warn all the freeholders and other inhabitants of the Town of Dartmouth qualified by law to vote in Town affairs that they assemble and meet at the Town house in sd Dartmouth on Wednesday ye third day of October next at twelve of the clock on sd day to vote and act on the particulars herein mentioned.

First. To chuse Town officers where they are yet wanting in sd Town this present year 1753 in the room of them yt were chosen at our annual meeting in March last & since and neglect or refuse to serve.

Or a collector to collect the Province County and Town taxes this present year, or to agree with the Constables of sd Dartmouth to collect the same.

Secondly. To agree & vote to make an addition to ye Town rate last agreed upon by sd Town if the sd Town think proper and needfull as they see cause.

Hereof you are not to fail but make time by return of this warrant with your doings to us or either of you at or before sd meeting. Given under our hands and seal ye twentieth fourth day of September Annoque Domini 1753.

Nathaniel Soble } Selectmen of  
Jirah Swift } Dartmouth

Pursuant to the within written warrant I have warned ye freeholders of the Town of Dartmouth to appear at the time and place within mentioned.

by me Nathaniel Potter Constable.

Oct. 3: 1753 At a Town meeting held at the Town house in Dartmouth on the third day of October 1753:

Benjamin Akis was chosen Moderator for sd meeting.

Peleg Smith was chosen Select-men in the room of James Allen who was last chosen and refused to serve.

Voted that Henry Howland Nathaniel Potter and Joseph King Constables of Dartmouth shall have three pound six shillings and eight pence (each) in addition to what was voted to them at the last Town meeting for their extraordinary services in collecting ye public taxes laid on sd Town for the year 1753.

Voted that there shall be sixty pound raised by way of tax in addition to what was voted to be raised at a Town meeting held on ye eighteenth of May last past and then the meeting was dissolved by a vote of the Town.

Nov. 26: 1753 Dartmouth, November ye 26<sup>th</sup> 1753.  
Then settled with ye Towns Receivers of the tax made in said Town for ye year 1751 for the defraying ye necessary Charges arising therein:  
and find by receipts from under the hands of said Towns creditors (received of Peleg Smith) that ye one hundred pounds agreed upon in sd year 1751 was all gathered, carefully applied and disbursed to sd Towns use.

Peleg Smith } Towns  
Irish Swift } Receivers of sd Tax. Stephen West } Consts  
Cunphy Smith }  
The above sd was recorded by order of the  
Selectmen of sd Town.  
by me Barth<sup>s</sup>. Taber Town Clerk.

Bristol ss.

To the Constables of the Town of Dartmouth Dec. 24: 1753  
or either of them Greeting:

In his Majesties Name you are required fourth with to notify and warn all the freeholders and other inhabitants of sd Town that are qualified to vote in Town affairs that they meet together at the Town house in sd Town on Tuesday the eighth day of January next at one of the clock in the afternoon then and there to act on the particular article hereafter mentioned.

That whereas the Town of Rochester by Olisha Freeman as their agent in December 1753 put in a petition to the Great and General Court of the Province of the Massachusetts Bay then sitting at Boston, praying that a jurisdiction line might be settled between the Town of Dartmouth and said Town of Rochester from a certain known black oak tree mentioned in the deed describing the eastern<sup>x</sup> by line of sd Town of Dartmouth from thence to run a straight line to that Commonly called the Piked rock with all or so much of the Island of Nakatah, as may appear at sd meeting by a copy of sd petition whereby said Town of Dartmouth is served by order of said Court to show cause if any they have the second Tuesday of the next sitting of said Court, why the said petition should not be granted.

Now to chuse an agent or agents at said meeting in order to go to said court on the second Tuesday as aforesaid to shew cause in behalf of said Town of Dartmouth why the prayer of said petition should not be granted:

and for the Town to act and do further what may be thought necessary in the affair at said meeting.

Tail not.

Given under our hands and seals this 24<sup>th</sup> day of December 1753.

Nathaniel Sole } Selectmen of  
Jirah Swift } Dartmouth  
Dartmouth January the 8: 1754.

Pursuant to ye within written I notified ye freeholders and other inhabitants quallified as within mentioned to meet at time and place within named.

By Joseph King Constable.

Jan. 8: 1754 At a Town meeting legally warned and held at the Town house in Dartmouth by the free inhabitants of sd Town on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of January 1754: Humphrey Smith was chosen Moderator for said meeting.

It was voted that Mr Samuel Willis and Stephen Ovet should be the agents for sd Town to go to the Great and General Court at Boston on the second Tuesday of the next sitting of said Court in order to answer to the petition preferred by the Town of Rochester by Relisha Freeman as their agent respecting a jurisdiction line between the Town of Dartmouth and sd Town of Rochester.

Noted that said agents shall hire money in behalf of said Town to defray the necessary

charges arising making answer to the petition aforesaid, and to account to the sd Town for sd money.

To the Selectmen of ye Town of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in ye Province of the Massachusetts Bay. Mch. 11: 1754

¶

Gentlemen if you will allow Elizabeth Richmond and her child to live in your Town we will receive them back again whenever you shall think proper to send them back we allowing them to be inhabitants of this Town.

Given under my hand by order of the Town Council of Newport the fourth day of March A.D. 1754.

Wm. Coddington Junr Council Clerk.

Whereas Ebenezer Androse of Dartmouth has taken his aged mother into his family in order to maintain and support her, whose last place of being an inhabitant was in the Town of Freetown. Mch. 10: 1754

We the subscribers being the major part of the Selectmen of Freetown aforesd. do certify that if she should come to any charge to the Town of Dartmouth that the Town will receive her again unless there is any person of ability as is by law obliged to support her.

Dated at Freetown March ye 10<sup>th</sup>. 1754.

George Chase } Selectmen of  
Abiel Terry } Freetown

The above sd certificat was recorded by order of Jirah Swift one of the Selectmen of Dartmouth for the year 1753.

by me Parth<sup>r</sup> Taber Town Clerk

Feb. 25: 1754 To the Constables of the Town of Dartmouth or either of them Greeting:

In his Majesties Name you are hereby forthwith required to notify all the free holders and other inhabitants of ye sd Town that are qualified to vote in Town meetings that they assemble and meet to gather at the Town house in sd Town on the twenty seventh day of March next at ten of ye clock in ye forenoon: then and there to act on the particulars herein after mentioned.

1ly To choose Town officers for the present year 1754 as the law directs.

2ly Whereas there was a paper directed to us signed by a number of the inhabitants of said Town wherein it was required that there may be a stroke in the Warrant for the Annual meeting in March 1754 to consider about choosing a Committee to call the Selectmen and others to an account to see what is become of their money and likewise for the time to come that ye Towns money may be put into the Treasury according to law which hath been kept out of the Treasury three years past 1750: 1751 & 1752: 1753.

And now for the Town to act and do what they at said meeting may think proper in the above sd affair.

And also to consider who shall be at charge of sd committee ye Town or the signers to the above sd paper

3ly To consider by a vote how many School-masters there shall be procured for ye year 1754 for ye use of sd Town.

4ly To receive the returns of ways laid out by the Selectmen of sd Town.

5ly To agree upon what sum of money shall be raised by way of tax upon the inhabitants of said Town for ye paying of school mactere and other necessary charge arising within sd Town.

6ly To chuse a committee to settle accounts with the said Towns Receivers of the tax made in the year 1753. and also to receive and settle accounts with those that have demands upon sd Towne that are not already settled.

7ly To consider whether to allow to John Shepherd interest for his long forbearing ye sd Town of money that was due to him from sd Town or not. And make return of this Warrant and your doings thereon unto the select of sd Town at or before the time of sd meeting.

Fail not as you will answer your default. Given under our hands and seals in Dartmouth this twenty fifth day of February A.D. 1754.

Nathaniel Soule } Selectmen of  
Jesse Swift } Dartmouth.

Printed ss Pursuant to ye within written I have notified the Town to meet all time and place within mentioned.

By me Nathaniel Patten Constable.

At a Town meeting held at the Town house Feb 27: 1754 in Dartmouth on the twenty seventh day of March 1754:

Humphrey Smith was chosen Moderator for sd meeting.

Richard Bernal Williams Hart and Thomas Bathaway were chosen Selectmen for the year current.

Benjamin Akin was chosen Town clerk.

Capt. William Wood was chosen Town Treasurer. Thomas Pope was chosen Constable in Acushnet village and it being represented to the Town or meeting that he had lately been chosen to sd office and had given security for his fine to the Selectmen, the vote was reconsidered and William Bennet was chosen Constable in his room and Jonathan Taber Junr and Daniel Howland were chosen Constables in Acosset and Ponagansett villages.

Bartholomew Taber, Abraham Sherman and George White were chosen Assessors for the ensuing year.

Silas Slocum, William Wood, Richard Kirby, Thomas Pell, John Shephard, George Smith, Jonathan Sherman, Richard Hathaway, and William Poudich were chosen Surveyors of Ways in Ponagansett village:

George Brownell Jr, Jonathan Toulle, Joseph Allen, John Lawton, Gabriel Hicks.

James Bernal, Schabod Eddy, John Wilbourn and Stephen Willecke were chosen

Surveyors of ways in Goset village:

Caleb June, Capt. Jethro Delano, Bartholomew Shee, Seth Morton, Phillip Cannon,

William Allen the second and Ebenezer Willie were chosen Surveyors of ways in Acushnet village.

William Calady, John Bernal and Joseph Spooner were chosen Tithingmen for ye year current.

Lieut. Cornelius June, James Meeder.

William Wood son of George Wood, William Bifford, Jonathan Hovey and David Smith were chosen Fence Viewers;

Daniel Russell, James Bushman and John Potter were chosen Pound keepers.

Isaiah Pickham, John Spooner, James Tallman

and Benjamin Shipp Junior were chosen Rogue-keepers.

And then the meeting was adjourned by a vote of the Town till the 19 day of April next.

And then met and Richard Cornell. Benjamin Apr. 19: 1754

Akin and Thomas Hathaway were chosen Selectmen in the room of them that was last chosen and refused or neglected to serve Benjamin Akin was chosen Town clerk, in the room of him that was last chosen and refused or neglected to take his place.

Capt. William Wood was chosen Town Treasurer in the room of him that was last chose and neglected to take his place.

Abraham Sherman Jonathan Toulle & Bartholomew Taber were chosen Assessors in the room of them that was last chose and neglected to take their places.

William Bennet chosen Constable.

William Wood son of Wm. Wood chosen Constable.

James Bernal chosen Constable.

George Smith chosen Constable in the room of William Wood son of William Wood who refused to serve.

John Lawton Jonathan Taber Jr &

Stephen Willecke Joseph Allen and George Brownell was chosen Surveyors for Acosset village:

Jonathan Sherman, William Sanford David Shephard Richard Kirby Thomas Pell Daniel Howland Silas Slocum, and Capt. Thomas Hicks were chosen Surveyors for Ponagansett village.

Ebenezer Willie Phillip Cannon William Wood (Blazier) Caleb June Seth Morton and Capt. Jethro Delano, was chosen Surveyors for

a wishnet village.

William Halladay John Cornell & Joseph  
Spooners chosen Fighting men.  
Sewt Cornelius Jennie James Keeden  
William Wood son of George Wood William  
Gifford Jonathan Keeseey and David Smith  
chosen Fence Viewers.

Daniel Russell James Bushman and John  
Patten chosen Pound Keepers.

Isaiah Beckdom John Spooner James Tallman  
& Benjamin Tripp Jr. were chosen Bozquans.  
Ichabod Patten Capt. Samuel Pope & Joshua  
Russell were chosen Sealers of Leather.

Joseph Tucker Nathaniel Delano and  
Jonathan Soule matters were chosen a  
Committee pursuant to the tenor and form  
of the second article in the warrant for  
calling this meeting.

Agreed with George Cadman to teach  
school for \$20 lawful money one year  
to be paid quarterly.

Voted that there shall be one hundred  
and fifty pounds be raised by way of  
tax pursuant to the fifth article in the  
warrant for calling this meeting.

Voted to John Shephard one pound lawfull  
money it being for interest for the Towne  
keeping him out of his money so long.

Stephen West Humphrey Smith and  
Jedediah Wood were chosen a Committee  
pursuant to the sixth article in the warrant  
for calling this meeting.

This meeting is dissolved.

Oriental ss. To the Constable of the Town of <sup>May 13: 1754</sup>  
Dartmouth.

To any or either of them Greeting.

In his Majesties Name you are required  
fourthly to notify and warn all the  
freeholders and other inhabitants of the  
Town of Dartmouth that are qualified by  
law to vote in Town meeting to meet to-  
gether at the Town house in sd Town on  
Tuesday the 25th day of this instant May  
at one of the clock in the afternoon on sd  
day there and there to act on the particulers  
hereafter mentioned (viz)

1ly To chuse Constables in the room and  
places of them that was chosen at the  
annual Town meeting in March last.  
Last and at the adjournment since and  
have neglected or refused to take their  
places and other Town officers if there  
be any wanting.

2ly For the Town at said meeting to do  
what they shall think proper in order  
to prevent Henry Wilbours sewing  
the Town at June Court for what said  
Town oweth him.

Hereof fail not and  
make returns of this your warrant  
with your doings therein to the Town  
clerk at or before the time of said  
meeting.

Given under our hands att Dartmouth this  
13<sup>th</sup> day of May 1754.

Benjamin Akin } Selectmen of  
Thomas Hathway } Dartmouth

Dartmouth May 25<sup>th</sup> day 1754.

Pursuant to this within written warrant I  
have notified and warn<sup>d</sup> the freeholders  
and other inhabitants of the Town of Dart-  
mouth to appear at the time and place

with mentioned.

By me Henry Rowland Constable. x

May 25: 1754 At a Town meeting held at the Town house in Dartmouth on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of May 1754: Jabez Barker chosen Moderator for sd meeting. Paul Brownell chosen Constable in ye room of James Cornell who refused to serve. John Bennet chosen Constable in the room of William Bennet.

William Taber was chosen Fence Viewer in ye room of William Wood, Georges son: Deaac Pope <sup>Jun</sup> chosen Surveyor of highways. John Taber <sup>Jun</sup> and Daniel Wilcoke chosen Hoopers.

Noted upon the second article in ye warrant for calling this meeting that the Selectmen shall agree with Henry Wilbour so as to keep said Wilbour from sewing to Town.

This meeting is dissolved by a vote of the Town.

June 12: 1754 Bristol: ss:

To the Constables of the Town of Dartmouth to any or either of them Greeting: There are in his Majesty's Name to require you fourthwith to notife and warn all the free holdere and other inhabitants of the Town of Dartmouth that are qualified by law to vote in Town meetings to meet together at the Town house in said Town on Saturday the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of this instant June at two of the clock in ye afternoon on sd day then and there to act on the particulare hereafter mentioned.

Thy. To chuse Constables in ye room and place of them that was chosen at the annual Town meeting in March last

part and since and have neglected or refused to take their place.

Thy for ye Town if they shall think proper to vote George Smiths fine for not serving Constable to William Wood Constable.

Thy for ye Town to do what they shall think proper about executing William Bennet and John Bennet of their fines or some part of it.

And make return of this warrant with your doings therein unto the Town clerk at or before sd meeting.

Given under our hands at Dartmouth this 15<sup>th</sup> day of June 1754.

Thomas Hathaway } Selectmen of  
Benjamin Skinner } Dartmouth

Dartmouth June 22<sup>nd</sup> 1754.

agreeable to this warrant I warned and notified ye Town of Dart<sup>mt</sup> to meet together on ye 22<sup>nd</sup> of this instant June at ye Town house.

For me Wm: Wood Constable.

At a Town meeting held at the Town house in Dartmouth on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of June 1754: June 22: 1754

Thomas Hathaway chosen Moderator to regulate ye meeting:

William Bennet chosen Constable for acushnet village.

Joseph Devil chosen Constable in ye room of Paul Brownell who refused to serve.

Noted that ye 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> articles in ye warrant for calling this meeting be let fall.

This meeting is dissolved

June 22: 1754 Bristol: ss: To the Constables of the Town of Dartmouth or either of them Greeting:  
 There are in his Majesty's Name to require you forthwith to notify and warn all the freeholders and other inhabitants of the Town of Dartmouth that are qualified by law to vote in Town meetings to meet together at the Town house in said Town on Saturday the 29<sup>th</sup> day of this instant June at twelve of the clock of sd day then and there to act on the particulars hereafter mentioned.

1<sup>ly</sup> To chuse Constables in the room and place of them that was chosen at ye Annual Town meeting in March last past and since and have neglected or Refused to take their places and other Town officers if any there may be wanting.

2<sup>ly</sup> For the Town if they shall think proper to Vote George Smith's fine for not serving Constable to William Wood Constable.

3<sup>ly</sup> For the Town at sd Meeting to do what they shall think proper in excusing James Cornell and Paul Brownell of some part of their fines for not serving Constables.

and make Return of this Warrant with your Doing therein unto the Town Clerk at or Before said Meeting.

Given under our hands at Dartmouth the 22<sup>nd</sup> Day of June 1754  
 Benjamin Akin } Selectmen  
 Thomas Hathaway } of  
 Richard Cornell } Dartmouth

Dartmouth June 28<sup>th</sup> 1754.  
 Pursuant to this Warrant I have Lawfully worn: the Town  
 For me William Wood Constable.

At a Town Meeting held at sd Town house in Dartmouth on ye 29<sup>th</sup> day of June 1754:

Samuel Killin Esq was chosen Moderator for sd Meeting:

Joseph Devil and William Beant was chosen Constables:

Joseph Devil Being present Refused to serve and the Town Proceeded to another choice and chose Phillip Taber (in his place) Constable:

Valid upon the second article in the Warrant for calling this meeting that William Wood Constable shall have George Smith's fine for not serving for not serving Constable.

Bristol: ss: To the Constables of the Town of Dartmouth To any or either of them Greeting:

In his Majesty's Name you are hereby Required forthwith to notify and warn all the freeholders and other inhabitants of the Town of Dartmouth that are qualified by Law to vote in Town Meetings to meet together at sd Town house in said Town on ye Thirti<sup>th</sup> first Day of this instant August at Twelve of the clock on sd Day then and there to act on the Particulars hereinafter mentioned.

1<sup>ly</sup> For the Town at sd Meeting if they shall think proper to hire a Constable for Acapset Village for this present Year out of the fines of those who have been chosen

for this year and have Refused to serve.  
 S<sup>d</sup>y Whereas his Excellency William Shirley  
 Esq. Captain General over his Majesty's  
 Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New  
 England has ordered the Selectmen of each  
 Town in sd Province to call their Towns  
 together to know the Towns minds:  
 Concerning a Bill Intituled An Act for  
 granting to his Majesty, an excise upon  
 wines and spirits Distilled, sold by  
 Retail or Consumed within this Province  
 and upon Limes Lemons and oranges:  
 Now for the Town to Act and Do at sd  
 Meeting what they shall think Proper in  
 the affair.

S<sup>d</sup>y for the Town at said meeting to Draw  
 out of the Jury Box at the next Superior  
 Court of Common Pleas to be holden at  
 Taunton in the County of Bristol on y<sup>e</sup>  
 second Tuesday of September next:

and make Return of this Warrant with  
 your Doings therein unto y<sup>e</sup> Town Clerk  
 at or before the Time of said Meeting:  
 Given under our hands at Dartmouth the  
 19<sup>th</sup> Day of August 1754

Richard Cornell } Selectmen of  
 Benjamin Ikin } Dartmouth  
 Agreeable to this Warrant I have warned the  
 Town as the Law Directs:  
 August the 30<sup>th</sup> Day 1754.  
 James Olive Wood Constable.

Aug 31: 1754 At a Town Meeting held at y<sup>e</sup> Town house in  
 Dartm<sup>s</sup> on the 31 Day of August 1754  
 Capt. Nathaniel Soule was chosen Moderator  
 for sd meeting.  
 Voted upon the first article in the Warrants  
 for Calling this meeting that it be Let fall.

Voted upon y<sup>e</sup> second Article Respecting the  
 excise Bill and it Passed in y<sup>e</sup> Negative.

Trials: ss: To the Constables of the Town Sept 20: 1754  
 of Dartmouth or either of them Greeting -  
 These are in his Majesty's Name to Require  
 you or either of you forthwith to warn all  
 the free holders and other Inhabitants of y<sup>e</sup>  
 Town of Dartmouth that are Qualified by  
 Law to Vote in Town Meetings to meet to-  
 gether at the Town house in sd Town on  
 y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> Day of this Instant October at one of  
 the Clock in the afternoon on said Day then  
 and there to act on the particulars herein  
 after mentioned.

S<sup>d</sup>y for the Town at said meeting to except  
 of William Devel Blacksmith for a Con-  
 stable in the Room of Phillip Taber who  
 was Last chosen for Acarsset Village or  
 otherwise Do at sd Meeting as they  
 shall think it Proper in that affair.

S<sup>d</sup>y for the Town at said Meeting if they  
 shall think proper to Vote an additional  
 sum to y<sup>e</sup> Town Rate that was agreed  
 on and Voted at y<sup>e</sup> adjournment of the  
 Annual Town Meeting in March Last  
 past in order that the County Rate may  
 be paid out of the Town Treasury by  
 Reason that the orders for making a  
 County Rate will not come timely to be  
 made when the Province and Town Rate  
 will be made.

And make Return of this Warrant with your  
 Doings therein unto the Town Clerk at or  
 before said meeting.  
 Given under our hands at Dartm<sup>s</sup> y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup>  
 Day of Sep<sup>r</sup> 1754.

Benz<sup>a</sup> Atkin } Selectmen of  
Rich<sup>d</sup> Cornell } Dartm:

Dartmouth October 12<sup>th</sup> 1754.  
According to this Warrant I have worn<sup>d</sup>  
the Inhabitants of said Town as the Law  
Directs.

for me William Wood Constable. x

Oct. 12: 1754 At a Town Meeting held at the Town  
house in Dartmouth on 12<sup>th</sup> Day of  
October 1754:  
Benz<sup>a</sup> Atkin chosen Moderator for said meet-  
ing:  
William Seivil was excepted of for a Con-  
stable in the Room of Phillip Taber who  
was last chosen for Acarsset. Village By a  
Vote of the Town.  
Voted upon the second Article in the Warrant  
for calling this meeting that there should  
be fifty one pounds Raised By way of Tax  
on the Inhabitants of this Town in addi-  
tion to the Town Rate that was last  
agreed on and Voted: in order that the  
County Rate may be paid out of the Town  
Treasury.

Feb 12: 1755 Bristol: ss: To the Constables of the Towns of  
Dartmouth or either of them Greeting:  
These are in his Majesty's Name to Require  
you either of you fourthwith to notify and  
warn all the freeholders and other inhabitants  
of the Town of Dartm. that are Qualified by  
Law to Vote in Town meetings that they  
meet together at the Town house in sd. Town  
on Monday the Twenty fourth Day of this  
Instant March at nine of the clock in the  
fournoon on said day then and there to act.

on the Particulars hereinafter mentioned.

1<sup>ly</sup> To Chuse Town Officers as the Law Directs  
for the year ensuing.

2<sup>ly</sup> To Chuse a County Register as the Law  
Directs.

3<sup>ly</sup> for the Town at said meeting to agree upon  
Building a Work house and where it shall  
stand for the Reception of the poor already  
upon the Towns charge and for those  
Idle persons who mispend their Time by  
Bumping up and Down in said Town  
and Biting their Living out of the  
Inhabitants thereof and otherwise act  
and Do in the affair as the Town at said  
meeting shall think Proper.

4<sup>ly</sup> for the Town at said meeting if they  
shall think Proper to pass a Vote  
(if they Do not Chuse overseers of the  
poor) that the Selectmen shall Draw  
money out of the Town Treasury for  
the support of the poor of said Town  
and all other Necessary occasions for  
the carrying on and managing of the  
Prudentials affairs of said Town and  
otherwise for the Town to act and do  
in the affair as they shall think proper.

5<sup>ly</sup> for the Town at said meeting if they  
shall think proper to vote Constant  
Marsh run undivided Land in consid-  
eration of the High the Selectmen Laid  
out through his Land.

6<sup>ly</sup> for the Town to Receive the Return of  
Highway Laid out By the Selectmen  
and except them or Disexcept them.

7<sup>ly</sup> for the Town to agree how many schoo  
masters There shall be upon the Towns  
charge for the year ensuing.

8<sup>ly</sup> for the Town to agree and Pass a Vote  
what sum of money shall be Raised

by way of Tax on the Inhabitants of said Town for the Paying of School masters and other necessary charges arising within said Town

9<sup>ly</sup> To chuse a Committee in Behalf of said Town to examine all accounts that shall be Brought against said Town and to except them or disexcept them as they shall think Proper:

Given under our hands

Dartmouth the 12<sup>th</sup> Day of March 1755 -  
and make Returns of this warrant with your Doings thereon into the Town Clerk at or Before the Time of said meeting.

Richard Cornell } Selectmen  
Thomas Hathaway } of  
Benj<sup>n</sup> Akin } Dartmouth.

Dartmouth March ye 24<sup>th</sup> Day 1755.

Pursuant to the within written warrant I have warned the Town to meet at the Time and Place with mentioned.

For me William Chord Constable

March 24 1755 At a Town meeting held at the Town house in Dartmouth on Monday ye 24<sup>th</sup> Day of March 1755

Humphry Smith chosen Moderator for said meeting:

Josh Swift John Soule and Benj<sup>n</sup> Akin were chosen Selectmen:

Benjamin Akin was chosen Town Clerk:

Abraham Sherman Jonathan Soule and Parth<sup>n</sup> Taber was chosen Assessors:

Samuel Russell Phillis banner and Josiah Blosson was chosen Constables:

Samuel Russell being Present and Declared his Refusal to serve:

Capt. Thomas Kicke was chosen Constable in

his Room:

Jonathan Smith William Anthony Cook  
Allen Thomas Bell William Balladay  
William Barker Prince Allen, John  
Cricketon Elihu Akin Ignatius June Sells

Norton Jethro Hathaway Jonathan Toby  
John Bennet Jonathan Taber Sells Hathaway  
Nathaniel Spooner John Lawton and Jonathan  
Taber ye 2<sup>d</sup> chosen Surveys of highways.  
Thomas West Ebenezer Leuchman and  
Peter Suddleton chosen Luthing men.

Abraham Sherman Elihu Akin William  
Taber Phillip Taber Leicit Cornelius June  
and Jereah Supper was chosen Juror Viewers  
Capt William Wood chosen Town Treasurer.  
John Patten John Russell and James Leuch-  
man chosen Pound Keepers.

Nathan Sherman Nicholas Lapham  
Timothy Macomber Stephen Soule  
John Beckover and John Tinkcom chosen  
Boys Reavers.

Peter Smith John Soule and Ebenezer  
Akin was chosen a Committee in behalf  
of sd. Town to examine all accounts  
that should be brought against said  
Town and to except them or Disexcept as  
they shall think Proper:

Peter Smith John Soule and Ebenezer Akin  
was chosen a Committee to Prepare a Draft  
for the Work house and to make Report  
to the Adjournment of this meeting.

Apr. 28: 1755 At a Town meeting held at the Town house in Dartmouth by Adjournment on y<sup>e</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> second Day of April being y<sup>e</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> Day of 2<sup>d</sup> month and then meet and William Wood son of George Wood Deceased was chosen Constable in the Room of Josiah Johnson who was last chosen and had paid his fine for being chosen before and not serving.

George Bronson son of George Bronson Deceased was chosen Constable in the Room of Philip Casnon who Refused to Serve.

Schabod Edy was Chosen Surveyor of Highways:

Voted

that there shall be Three hundred Pound Raised by way of Tax on the Inhabitants of the Town agreeable to the eight article in the Warrant for calling this meeting.

Voted

that George Leadman shall have Twenty four Pounds pr year and to be paid Quarterly for serving the Town as a Grammar Schoolmaster for this present year. Peleg Smith John Lawton and William Sanford are chosen a committee agreeable to the Third article in the warrant for calling this meeting to go forward with the Building of the work house agreeable to the Plan Brought to the Town by the Com<sup>rs</sup> appointed by sd Town for that Purpose and Voted by sd Town.

Voted upon the fifth article in the Warrant for calling this meeting

that the Proprietors Surveyor and any Two of the Committee shall Lay out constant Markers as much undi-

vided Land as they shall think Reasonable in consideration of the Highway Laid out through his Land

and make Return to him of the same and likewise make Report to the Town of their Doings thereon to sd Town.

Voted upon y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> article in the Warrant for calling this meeting

that there should be a Work house Built and to stand adjoining to the Town House.

Diret<sup>l</sup> 28: To the Constables of y<sup>e</sup> Town May 7: 1755 of Dartmouth or any or either of them Meeting.

There are in his Majesty's Name to Require you or either of you to warn all the Free holders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dartmouth that are Qualified by Law to Vote in Towns meetings to meet together at y<sup>e</sup> Town house in sd Town on Tuesday y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> Day of this Instant May at Two of the Clock in the afternoon on sd Day there and thence to act on the Particulars hereafter mentioned. To wit to cause Town officers in the Room and Places of those who were chosen at y<sup>e</sup> annual Town meeting in March last past and at the Adjournment since and since neglected or Refused to take their Places.

To wit for y<sup>e</sup> Town at said meeting to choose a Committee to make up accounts with William Wood Town Treasurer from Last Settlement upon y<sup>e</sup> Towns Book (to this Time) kept by y<sup>e</sup> Town Treasurer and for said Committee to call the Towns Receivers to an account that there Doings may be Transferred into the Town Treasurers office.

and make Return of this Warrant with your  
Doings thereon unto the Town Clerk at or  
Before the Time of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Dartmouth vt:  
7th day of May 1755.

Jack Swift } Selectmen of  
Benj<sup>n</sup> Akin } Dartmouth

Dartm<sup>s</sup>: May the 9<sup>th</sup> 1755:

Agable to this Warrant I have notified &  
warned the Inhabitants of sd Town as the  
Law Directs

For me Wm. Wood Constable.

May 20: 1755 At a Town Meeting held at the Town  
house in Dartmouth on Tuesday y<sup>e</sup>: 20<sup>th</sup>  
Day of May 1755.

Jedediah Wood chosen Moderator for said  
meeting.

William Wood son of George Wood Deceased  
was excused from serving Constable by  
Reason of his Lameness

Stephen Wilcox chosen Constable in y<sup>e</sup>:

Room of William Wood:

Nathaniel Spooner chosen Constable in the  
Room of George Brownell son of George  
Brownell:

Benjamin Akin Abraham Sherman and  
Daniel Russell are chosen a committee agreeable  
to the second article in the Warrant for calling  
this meeting

June 12: 1755

Diret<sup>o</sup>: ss: To the Constables of the Town  
of Dartmouth to any or either of them  
Directing:

You are hereby Required in his Majesty's Name  
to Notify and warn all the freeholders and  
other Inhabitants of the Town of Dartmouth

that are Qualified by Law to Vote in Town  
meetings that they meet together at y<sup>e</sup>: Town  
house in sd Town on y<sup>e</sup>: 27<sup>th</sup> Day of June  
Instant. at two of the clock in the afternoon  
or sd Day then and there to act on what is  
herein after mentioned.

To choose Constables for Acarsset & Accuisset  
Villages in the Room of Stephen Wilcox &  
Nathaniel Spooner who was Last chosen and  
Refused to serve.

and make Return of this Warrant with your  
Doings thereon unto the Town Clerk at or  
Before the Time of sd meeting.

Given under our hands at Dartm<sup>s</sup>  
June y<sup>e</sup>: 12<sup>th</sup> Day 1755.

Dartmouth June y<sup>e</sup>: 27<sup>th</sup> Day 1755

Persuant to this Warrant I have Notified  
y<sup>e</sup>: Inhabitants to appear at Time & Place  
for me Thomas Keicke Constable &

At a Town meeting held at y<sup>e</sup>: Town June 27: 1755  
house in Dartmouth the 27<sup>th</sup> day of June 1755  
Rumpsey Smith chosen Moderator for sd  
meeting.

Eliza Kerby & Leah June were chosen Constables  
in the Room of Stephen Wilcox and Nathaniel  
Spooners who Refused to serve:

Diret<sup>o</sup>: ss: To the Constable or Constables of Aug 6: 1755  
the Town of Dartmouth to any or either of  
them Directing:

You are hereby Required in his Majesty's Name  
to Notify & Warn all the freeholders and other  
Inhabitants of the Town of Dartmouth that are  
Qualified by Law to Vote in Town meetings that  
they meet together at y<sup>e</sup>: Town house in sd  
Town on Tuesday y<sup>e</sup>: 19<sup>th</sup> Day of August

Instant at Twelve of the Clock on sd Day  
then and there to act on the Particulars  
Hereafter Mentioned.

1<sup>ly</sup> To choose Constables for Accomsett  
and Accomsett Villages in the Room  
of Silas Kirby and Caleb Jenne who was  
Last chosen for sd Villages.

2<sup>ly</sup> To choose two Good and Lawfull men  
of the Town to serve on the Petit Jury at  
y<sup>e</sup> Next Superior Court to be holden at  
Taunton for the County of Bristol on y<sup>e</sup> second  
Tuesday of September Next.

3<sup>ly</sup> Whereas y<sup>e</sup> Case Between y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen of  
Rockport and the Selectmen of Dartmouth  
which were to be heard and tried at y<sup>e</sup>  
Superior Court held at Taunton for y<sup>e</sup>  
County of Bristol on y<sup>e</sup> fifth Tuesday of  
July 1755 - do Refered to Benjamin Lincoln  
Samuel White and Daniel Leonard Judges  
to settle the Jurisdiction Line Between y<sup>e</sup>  
sd Towns as far as they may;  
Provided y<sup>e</sup> sd Towns agree thereto, and  
to determine the Court how for sd Town  
of Dartmouth to Pass a Vote at sd Meeting  
to show whether sd Town will agree thereto  
to or not.

And make Return of this Warrant with your  
Doings thereon unto y<sup>e</sup> Town Clerk at or  
before the Time of sd Meeting.

Given under our hands at Dartmouth this  
fifth Day of August Ad: 1755

Jerah Swift	} Selectmen
John Soule	
Benj <sup>n</sup> Skin	} of
	} Dartmouth

Bristol: ss: Pursuant to this Warrant I have  
Notified the freeholders and other Inhabitants of  
y<sup>e</sup> Town of Dartmouth to meet at Time and Place  
within Mentioned for me Thomas Kicker Constable  
Dartmouth August y<sup>e</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> 1755-

At a Town Meeting held at y<sup>e</sup> Town  
House in Dartmouth on Tuesday y<sup>e</sup> 19<sup>th</sup>  
Day of August 1755:

Jerah Swift chosen Moderator for sd meeting.  
Joseph Maccumber & Joseph Taber were chosen  
Constables in y<sup>e</sup> Room of those that was  
Last chosen and Refused to serve.

Pursuant to y<sup>e</sup> Third article in y<sup>e</sup> Warrant  
for calling this meeting it was Put to Vote  
to see if y<sup>e</sup> Town would agree to y<sup>e</sup> order  
of Court therein mentioned and it was  
agreed to by a unanimous Vote.

At a Town meeting held at y<sup>e</sup> Town  
House in Dartmouth by adjournment on  
y<sup>e</sup> second Tuesday of September 1755  
Joseph Russell and William Bifford was  
chosen Constables in the Room of Joseph  
Maccumber & Joseph Taber who were Last  
chosen.

Bristol: ss: To the Constables of the Town  
of Dartmouth to any or either of them  
Greeting:

You are hereby Required In his Majesty's  
Name to Notifie and Warn all the freeholders  
and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dartmouth  
that are Recalified by Law to Vote in Town  
meetings that they meet together at y<sup>e</sup>  
Town House in sd Town on Monday y<sup>e</sup>  
24<sup>th</sup> Day of November Instant at nine of  
y<sup>e</sup> Clock in forenoon on sd Day then and  
there to act on y<sup>e</sup> Particulars Hereafter  
mentioned.

1<sup>ly</sup> To choose a Constable for Accomsett  
Village in the Room of William Bifford who  
was Last chosen for sd Village and Refused  
to serve.

2<sup>d</sup> Say for y<sup>e</sup> Town at s<sup>d</sup> meeting if they shall think proper to except of Capt. Tho<sup>s</sup> Hicks for a Constable for Acarsset Village in the Room of William Bifford.

3<sup>d</sup> Say for y<sup>e</sup> Town at s<sup>d</sup> meeting to choose a Constable for Amichest Village in y<sup>e</sup> Rooms of Philip Cannon and

Make Return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon unto y<sup>e</sup> Town Clerk at or Before the Time of s<sup>d</sup> meeting.

Given under our Hands at Dartmouth  
November y<sup>e</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> Day A. D. 1755.

John Swift } Selectmen  
John Soule } of  
Benja<sup>n</sup> Akis } Dartmouth

Agreeable to this Warrant I have notified the Town to meet at Time & Place within mentioned

Benja<sup>n</sup> Thomas Hicks Const<sup>ble</sup>.  
Dartmouth Nov<sup>r</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> 1755.

Nov. 24<sup>th</sup> 1755 At a Town meeting held at y<sup>e</sup> Town house in Dartmouth on Monday y<sup>e</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> Day of November 1755:

John Swift chosen Moderator for s<sup>d</sup> meeting. Capt Thomas Hicks was elected Constable in the Room of William Bifford for Acarsset Village by the Town.

Joseph Curcell was chosen Constable in the Room of Philip Cannon.

Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> 1756 District: To the Constables of y<sup>e</sup> Town of Dartmouth to any or either of them Meeting. You are hereby Required in his Majesty's Name to Notify and warn all the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dartmouth that are Qualified by Law to vote in Town meetings that

they meet together at y<sup>e</sup> Town house in s<sup>d</sup> Town on Tuesday eve Seventeenth Day of February Instant at 12<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> clock on s<sup>d</sup> Day, then and there to act on the Particulars hereafter mentioned.

1<sup>st</sup> Say for y<sup>e</sup> Town at s<sup>d</sup> meeting to Pass a Vote for the County Rate to be paid out of the Town Treasury.

2<sup>d</sup> Say Where as By Law the Selectmen are obliged to Procure a Town stock of Powder and Bullets and we have been sent to by the Commission officers of this Regiment and we daily expect to be furnish<sup>d</sup> unless we speedily Procure one:

Now for the Town at s<sup>d</sup> meeting to Pass a Vote that the Selectmen shall Draw money out of the Town Treasury for to Procure a Town stock according to Law.

Thirdly Whereas the Selectmen of s<sup>d</sup> Town agreed to give Philip Cannon ten dol<sup>ls</sup> here to Encourage him to serve Constable for this Present year:

Now for the Town at s<sup>d</sup> meeting to Pass a Vote for s<sup>d</sup> Cannon to Draw ten Dollars out of the Town Treasury.

4<sup>th</sup> Say for y<sup>e</sup> Town at s<sup>d</sup> meeting if they shall think proper to take sum care of one Rachel Toly an Indian woman who is running about Town Distracted and make Return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon at or Before the Time of s<sup>d</sup> meeting unto the Town Clerk: Given under our hand at Dartmouth this

5<sup>th</sup> Day of February 1756-

Benja<sup>n</sup> Akis } Selectmen of  
John Swift } Dartmouth

Dartmouth February y<sup>e</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> Day 1756  
Pursuant to this Warrant I have notified the Inhabitants of Dartmouth according to Law.  
Philip Cannon Constable.

Feb. 17. 1756

At a Town meeting held at y<sup>e</sup> Town house in Dartmouth on Tuesday y<sup>e</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> Day of February 1756

Frederick Swift Chosen Moderator for s<sup>d</sup> meeting. Voted upon the first article in the Warrant for calling this meeting

that the County Rate shall be paid out of the Town Treasury: Voted

that the Selectmen shall Procure a Town Stock of Powder & Bullets and Draw the money out of the Town Treasury to Pay for it. Thirdly Voted

that Philip Lawson shall Draw ten Dollars out of the Town Treasury for his Encouragement to serve Constable: y<sup>e</sup> fourth article in y<sup>e</sup> Warrant for calling this meeting was Referred to y<sup>e</sup> Annual Town meeting in March next.

Ordeal: To the Constables of the Town of Dartmouth or either of them: Greeting: There are in his Majesty's Name to Require you or either of you fourthly to Notify & Warn all the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Dartmouth that are qualified by Law to Vote in Town meetings that they meet together at y<sup>e</sup> Town house in s<sup>d</sup> Town on Monday y<sup>e</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> Day of March Instant at nine of the clock in the forenoon on s<sup>d</sup> Day there and there to act on the Petitions hereafter mentioned.

1<sup>ly</sup> To choose Town officers for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing as y<sup>e</sup> Law Directs:

2<sup>dly</sup> for ye Town at s<sup>d</sup> meeting to agree how many schoolmasters there shall be upon the Town charge for the year ensuing:

thirdly for the Town to Receive the Returns of

Highways Laid out by the Selectmen and except them or Disexcept them:

fourthly for the Town to agree and Pass a Vote what sum of money shall be Raised by way of Tax on the Inhabitants of s<sup>d</sup> Town for the paying of schoolmasters and other Necessary charges arising within s<sup>d</sup> Town 5<sup>ly</sup> To choose a Committee in Behalf of s<sup>d</sup> Town to examine all accounts that shall be Brought against s<sup>d</sup> Town and except them or Disexcept as they shall think proper.

Sixly Whereas y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen of Dartmouth for y<sup>e</sup> year 1755 did alter the County Road against the Land of Capt William Reed of Newport which Lye near Noque Chuck Terrace and run the same on upon y<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> Reed's Land with knowledge and Consent or making him any allowance for it. Now for y<sup>e</sup> Town at s<sup>d</sup> meeting to act and Do in the Premises as they shall think Proper:

Seventhly. Whereas there was a Request signed by a number of the Inhabitants of s<sup>d</sup> Town that were would insert in the warrant for calling this meeting y<sup>e</sup> following Request (viz) we the subscribers Inhabitants of the Easternmost Part of Acquishnet Village Labouring under Great Difficulty for y<sup>e</sup> Want of a highway from Samuel Merdals to the Highway that goes from Navesquituck to Matipicet Likewise from the westernmost end of the Lane that goes by Sam<sup>l</sup> Spooner Jun<sup>r</sup> to the highway that goes to the two meeting houses to which meeting your Petitioners belong: 20:

And make return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Town clerk at or Before the time of s<sup>d</sup> meeting:

Given under our hands at Dartmouth this 12<sup>th</sup>

Day of March A.D. 1756

Josh Swift } Selectmen  
John Soule }  
Benj Abin } Dartmouth

Pursuant to this warrant I have Worned  
the Town to meet at Time & Place within  
mentioned:

Dartmouth March 29<sup>th</sup> 1756-

Benjamin Philip Towns Constable.

Mar. 29: 1756

At a Town Meeting Legally Noted & held  
at y<sup>e</sup> Town house in Dartmouth on Monday  
29<sup>th</sup> Day of March: 1756.

Hemary Smith chosen Moderator for sd.  
Meeting.

Josh Swift John Soule & Benjamin Abin were  
Chosen Selectmen for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing:

Benjamin Abin was chosen Town Clerk for  
the year ensuing:

Bartholomew Taber Abraham Sherman &  
Richard Cornwell was chosen Assessors for y<sup>e</sup>  
Year ensuing

John Soule John Sauton Jonathan Soule  
Henry Brightman George Drummell Jun.  
William Russell William Anthony Joseph  
Barkis William Wood Abraham Russell  
William Sanford Jonathan Sherman John  
Ricketson Increase Allen John James Jonathan

Nathaway Skonaker Thomas West John  
Bennet Samuel Willie Esq. Nathaniel  
Travers Jun. Seth Malou was chosen  
Surveyor of y<sup>e</sup> Highways for y<sup>e</sup> year  
ensuing.

James Hallman Nathaniel Spooner Peley  
Huddellone chosen Sithing men for the year  
ensuing.

Issac Rowland y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> James Leitchman  
Daniel Smith Jonathan Henshaw John Carl

Philip Taber widows son Chosen fence Viewers  
for the year ensuing.

Issac Spooner William Wood George son  
Peter Briggs Chosen Dealers of Leather for y<sup>e</sup>  
year ensuing.

James Leitchman Jun Daniel Russell Nathaniel  
Collis son of John Patten Chosen Pound Keepers  
for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing.

Andrew Shackell Niles Storum Jonathan Taber  
son of Philip: Chosen Constables for y<sup>e</sup> year  
ensuing:

Benjamin Abin Chosen Town Treasurer for  
the year ensuing and agreed with for six  
pence upon y<sup>e</sup> pound for Receiving in and  
Paying out again.

A Vote of y<sup>e</sup> Town for three schoolmasters  
for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing it is left to the Select  
men to hire and agree with them and to  
remove them from place to place as they  
shall think proper.

Com<sup>ts</sup> Samuel Willie Henshaw Smith  
Richard Cornwell Be a committee Pursuant to  
y<sup>e</sup> fifth article of the Warrant for calling this  
meeting and also to settle accounts with  
Capt. William Wood our late Town Assesser  
This meeting so adjourned to y<sup>e</sup> third Tuce  
Day in May next at Twelve of y<sup>e</sup> Clock  
on sd Day.

The Town met according to Adjourn. May 13: 1756  
next being y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> Day of May 1756

and chose Joseph Head Constable in y<sup>e</sup> Room  
of Jonathan Taber son of Philip: who was  
last chosen and Refused to serve:

Niles Storum was Chosen Constable who  
was Chosen at y<sup>e</sup> Annual Town meeting in  
March it was not Worned to Take his Place:

Nathan Davis Chosen Constable in the Room of

Andrew Blackell who was exercised by y<sup>e</sup> Town:

James Lushman and Isaac Rowland  
Chosen fence Viewers for y<sup>e</sup> year ending:  
Daniel Linnerton Chosen Pound Keeper  
Jonathan Crownell & John Bennett was chosen  
Tear Receivers.

Jonathan Spooner & Samuel June was  
Chosen Hog Receivers.

Voted upon y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> article in y<sup>e</sup> Warrant  
for calling of this meeting

y<sup>e</sup> Town shall  
be two hundred pounds raised agreeable  
to s<sup>d</sup> article.

Thomas Bell chosen Surveyor of Highways  
in y<sup>e</sup> Room of Abraham Curcell:

Nathaniel Spooner was chosen Surveyor  
of Highways.

This meeting is adjourn<sup>d</sup> to y<sup>e</sup> 31<sup>th</sup> Day  
of May 1756:

May 31: 1756 The Town meet according to adjourn  
ment and chose John Hadley & John  
Belton Constables in y<sup>e</sup> Room of Peter  
Florence & Nathan Davis who was last  
Chosen.

Apr: 24: 1756 To the Constables of Dartmouth or either of  
them Writing:

In his Majesty's Name you are Required  
faithfully to Notify and Warn all y<sup>e</sup> Free  
holders and other Inhabitants of y<sup>e</sup> Town of  
Dartmouth afores<sup>d</sup> that are Qualified as the  
Law Directs that they meet together at y<sup>e</sup>  
Town house in s<sup>t</sup> on Monday the Third Day  
of May next at one of the clocks in the after  
noon then and there to act on y<sup>e</sup> following  
Particulars:

Finally To choose an Agent or Agents in order  
to Represent s<sup>d</sup> Town in an Action original  
ly commenced by y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen of Dart-  
mouth against y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen of Rochester  
(For Refusing to Preambulate y<sup>e</sup> Jurisdic-  
tion line between s<sup>d</sup> Towns.) which action  
was at y<sup>e</sup> Last Superior Court held  
at Chanton Referred by Rule of Court to  
Benjamin Lincoln, Daniel Howard &  
Sam<sup>l</sup> White Esq<sup>s</sup>. To settle s<sup>d</sup> Line w<sup>th</sup>  
Rule s<sup>d</sup> Town of Dartmouth: agreed to.

2<sup>d</sup> For s<sup>d</sup> Town to agree on some method  
for the Procuring money to Defray the  
Great charge of s<sup>d</sup> Reference;  
and make Return of this Warrant to the  
Town Clerk at or before y<sup>e</sup> Time of s<sup>d</sup> meeting:  
Hereof fail not:

Given under our hands at Dartm<sup>t</sup> April ye  
24<sup>th</sup> 1756.

Benj<sup>n</sup> Skinner } Selectmen of  
John Swift } Dartm<sup>t</sup>

Dartmouth May 1<sup>st</sup> 3 Day 1756

Perswants to this Warrant I have notified  
y<sup>e</sup> Inhabitants of Dartmouth according to  
Law.

Philip Cannon Constable

At a Town Meeting held at y<sup>e</sup> Town May 3: 1756  
House in Dartmouth on Monday y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> Day  
of May 1756:

Sam<sup>l</sup> Willie Esq<sup>s</sup> was chosen Moderator for  
s<sup>d</sup> meeting:

Voted at s<sup>d</sup> meeting

that Sam<sup>l</sup> Willie Esq<sup>s</sup>

Stephen West & Benj<sup>n</sup> Skinner be the agents in  
behalf of s<sup>d</sup> Town to Plead the Case before  
y<sup>e</sup> Gent<sup>l</sup> Referee in an action originally com-  
menced by y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen of Dartm<sup>t</sup> against y<sup>e</sup>

Selectmen of Rochester for Refusing to Pream-  
bulate y<sup>e</sup> Line Between sd Towns which  
action was at ye Last Superior Court  
held at Taunton for y<sup>e</sup> County of Bristol  
Refused by Rule of Court to be Determined  
by Benj<sup>m</sup> Lincoln Saml Howard & Saml  
White Esq<sup>s</sup> to meet sd Post as they  
have or shall appoint.

I by Voted

that Benj<sup>m</sup> Akin be y<sup>e</sup> Person  
to Draw some pound in money out of  
the of y<sup>e</sup> Treasury of sd Town for the  
Defraying y<sup>e</sup> Preists charges of y<sup>e</sup> above  
sd Reference & to make Report to sd Town  
of what he Receives of Disbursements in y<sup>e</sup>  
affair.

Saml Willis Moderator.

June 18: 1756

Bristol: ss: To y<sup>e</sup> Constables of y<sup>e</sup> Town of  
Dartmouth to any or either of them Greeting:  
You are hereby Required in his Majesty's Name  
fourthly to Notific and Worn all y<sup>e</sup> free  
holders and other Inhabitants of y<sup>e</sup> Town of  
Dartmouth that are Qualified by Law to Vote  
in Town meetings that they meet together at  
y<sup>e</sup> Town House in sd Town on y<sup>e</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> Day  
June Instant at 12 of y<sup>e</sup> clock on sd Day to  
act on y<sup>e</sup> Particulars Hereafter mentioned:

1<sup>st</sup> To chuse a Constable for Acowset Village  
in y<sup>e</sup> Room of Joseph Head who was chosen  
at y<sup>e</sup> Adjournment of y<sup>e</sup> Annual Town meeting  
in March Last past and Refused to serve:

2<sup>d</sup> To: Wharise there was a Highway Laid  
through y<sup>e</sup> Land of Jonathan Taber (son of  
Philip Taber Deceased?) by y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen of  
Dartmouth, without his Leave or Consent or  
making him any allowance for sd Way.  
his for y<sup>e</sup> Town at sd meeting to agree with

y<sup>e</sup> sd Taber about sd way and excuse him  
of his fine for not serving Constable in loca-  
tion of y<sup>e</sup> Highway Laid out through his  
Land he giving y<sup>e</sup> Town security for sd way  
so that it may be y<sup>e</sup> Towns for ever here  
after or otherwise act and Do in y<sup>e</sup> Premises  
as y<sup>e</sup> Town shall think at sd meeting:  
Given under our hands at Dartmouth this  
15<sup>th</sup> Day of June A.D. 1756 -

And make Return of this Warrant with your  
Doing thereon to y<sup>e</sup> Town Clerk at or Before  
y<sup>e</sup> Time of sd meeting.

John Swift } Selectmen  
John Soul } of  
Benj<sup>m</sup> Akin } Dartmouth

Dartmouth June y<sup>e</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> 1756 -

Persuant to this Warrant I have Worned  
y<sup>e</sup> freeholders and other Inhabitants of y<sup>e</sup>  
Town of Dartmouth to meet at Time and  
Place within mentioned.

for me Thomas Kicke Constable

At a Town meeting Legally Worned June 19: 1756  
and Held at y<sup>e</sup> Town House in Dart-  
mouth on y<sup>e</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> Day of June 1756:  
Saml Willis Esq<sup>r</sup> chosen Moderator for  
sd meeting:  
Jonathan Taber y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> chosen Constable  
in y<sup>e</sup> Room of Joseph Head.

Bristol: ss: To the Constables of y<sup>e</sup> Town July 5: 1756  
of Dartmouth to any or either of them Greeting:  
You are hereby Required in his Majesty's Name  
to Notific and Worn all y<sup>e</sup> freeholders &  
other Inhabitants of y<sup>e</sup> Town of Dartmouth  
that are Qualified by Law to Vote in Town  
meetings that they meet together at y<sup>e</sup>:

Town House in sd. Town on Saturday y<sup>e</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> Day of July Instant at 12<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> clock on sd. Day then and there to act on y<sup>e</sup> Particulars here after mentioned.

1<sup>ly</sup> For y<sup>e</sup> Town at sd. meeting if they think Proper to except of William Wood and Philip Cannon for Constables in y<sup>e</sup> Room of John Wadep and Jethro Delano who was Last chosen and also for y<sup>e</sup> Town to Vote Jonathan Taber y<sup>e</sup> second five pound for his serving Constable.

2<sup>dy</sup> For y<sup>e</sup> Town to vote y<sup>e</sup> sd. Wood and Cannon 10 pounde Lawfull money to each of them for serving Constables this present year to be paid by the Selectmen out of y<sup>e</sup> fines of those that have been chosen and Refused to serve.

3<sup>dy</sup> Whereas y<sup>e</sup> widow Lydia Drummell has been sick and under very weak and low Circumstances for a considerable Time at Jonathan Tabers and y<sup>e</sup> sd. Taber Desiree that y<sup>e</sup> Town would consider him and make him sum allowance for y<sup>e</sup> Trouble and charge he has been at in Nursing y<sup>e</sup> sd. widow & necessary found her in y<sup>e</sup> Time of her sickness:

Now for y<sup>e</sup> Town at sd. meeting to act and Do in y<sup>e</sup> Premises as they shall think Proper: And make Return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon unto y<sup>e</sup> Town Clerk at or Before y<sup>e</sup> Time of sd. meeting:

Given under our hands at Dartmouth this fifth Day of July A. D. 1756.

Jereh Swift } Selectmen  
John Soule } of  
Benja Akin } Dartmouth

Persuant to y<sup>e</sup> within written Warrant I have Worned and Notified y<sup>e</sup> freeholders and other Inhabitants of y<sup>e</sup> Town of Dartmouth to meet:

at y<sup>e</sup> Time and Place specified in this Warrant.

In Wm Jonathan Taber Constable  
Dartmo: July y<sup>e</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> 1756.

At a Town Meeting Legally Worned July 24<sup>th</sup> 1756 and held at y<sup>e</sup> Town House in Dartmo y<sup>e</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> Day of July 1756:

Sam<sup>l</sup> Willie chosen Moderator for sd. meeting: Voted and excepted

That William Wood and Phillis Cannon be Constables in y<sup>e</sup> Room of Jethro Delano and John Wadep: Voted

That Jonathan Taber y<sup>e</sup> second shall have five pound for serving Constable: Voted

That William Wood and Philip Cannon shall have Ten pound each of them for serving Constable for this Present year to be paid them by the selectmen out of y<sup>e</sup> Constables fines.

Printed ss: To y<sup>e</sup> Constables of y<sup>e</sup> Town of Dartmouth To any or either of them Greeting. You are hereby forthwith Required in his Majesty's Name to Notify and Worn all y<sup>e</sup> free holders and other Inhabitants of y<sup>e</sup> Town of Dartmouth that are Qualified by Law to Vote in Town meetings that they meet together at y<sup>e</sup> Town house in sd. Town on Saturday y<sup>e</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> Day of October Instant at Ten of y<sup>e</sup> clock in y<sup>e</sup> forenoon then and there to act on y<sup>e</sup> Particulars hereafter mentioned.

1<sup>ly</sup> Whereas there is order come from y<sup>e</sup> Province Treasur to us y<sup>e</sup> subscribers to make a Province Rate and as there is no order come for y<sup>e</sup> making a County Rate and as

there will be one wanting before y<sup>e</sup> year is out:  
 Now for ye at s<sup>d</sup> Meeting if they shall  
 think proper to Vote an additional sum  
 to what is already agreed on by said Town  
 in order that y<sup>e</sup> bounty Rate may be paid  
 out of ye Town Treasury: this Present year  
 or otherwise act and Do as they shall think  
 proper at said meeting.

2<sup>d</sup>ly Whereas there is a number of French sent  
 by order of y<sup>e</sup> General Court to our Town  
 to be supported by said Town  
 Now for y<sup>e</sup> Town to Pass a Vote at said  
 meeting Whether they will maintain them  
 them altogether or Whether they shall be  
 put out and separated or otherwise act and  
 Do in y<sup>e</sup> Premises at said meeting as they  
 shall think proper.

3<sup>d</sup>ly There are to Notific y<sup>e</sup> Inhabitants of y<sup>e</sup>  
 Town of Dartmouth that they Bring in an  
 account of their Poles and Reatable Estates  
 with their money at interest to us the subscr  
 bers at or before ye 15<sup>th</sup> Day of October Instant  
 and make Return of this Warrant with your  
 Doings thereon unto y<sup>e</sup> Town Clerk at or before  
 y<sup>e</sup> Time of s<sup>d</sup> meeting:

Given under our hands at Dartmouth this  
 second Day of October, 1756

Jereb Swift	} Selectmen of Dartms
John Soule	
Benj <sup>a</sup> Akin	

October y<sup>e</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> 1756. Pursuant to this Warrant  
 I have Notified y<sup>e</sup> Inhabitants of y<sup>e</sup> Town of  
 Dartmouth to meet together at Time and Place  
 with in s<sup>d</sup> preced.

For me William Wood Constable

At a Town meeting held at y<sup>e</sup> Town House Oct. 16: 1756  
 in Dartmouth y<sup>e</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> Day of October 1756  
 Tho<sup>s</sup> Smith chosen Moderator for s<sup>d</sup> meeting.  
 Voted in Respect of y<sup>e</sup> first article in y<sup>e</sup> Warrant  
 for calling this meeting:

that there shall be  
 Raised by way of Tax in Addition to what  
 is already agreed on by y<sup>e</sup> Inhabitants of said  
 Town this year ninety pounds.  
 Voted in Respect to y<sup>e</sup> second article in y<sup>e</sup>  
 Warrant for y<sup>e</sup> calling this meeting

that y<sup>e</sup>  
 Selectmen Take care of ye french sent to s<sup>d</sup> Town  
 and Dispose of them according to their Best  
 Discretion - and y<sup>e</sup> Least charge to s<sup>d</sup> Town.

Dartmouth June y<sup>e</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> 1756.

June 18: 1756

Then Rec<sup>d</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen of y<sup>e</sup> Town of Dart  
 mouth one Barrel and three Quarters of Gun  
 Powder and five Hundred Two Quarters & three  
 Pound of Lead it Being y<sup>e</sup> stock y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen  
 Procured for y<sup>e</sup> Town above s<sup>d</sup> - and I promise  
 to Deliver out y<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> Powder and Lead again  
 to y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen as they shall order and to their  
 successors in s<sup>d</sup> office

Benj<sup>a</sup> Akin } Selectmen of  
 Jereb Swift } Dartms

Wm Wood

Bristolis: To y<sup>e</sup> Constables of y<sup>e</sup> Town of  
 Dartmouth or either of them Greeting  
 In his Majesty's Name you are Required fourth  
 with to Notific and warn all y<sup>e</sup> free holders and  
 other Inhabitants of y<sup>e</sup> Town of Dartmouth that  
 are Qualified by Law to Vote in Town Meetings  
 that they meet together at y<sup>e</sup> Town House in  
 said Town on Thursday y<sup>e</sup> 31<sup>th</sup> Day of this  
 Instant March at Ten of y<sup>e</sup> clock in y<sup>e</sup> fore

noon on 2<sup>d</sup> Day then and there to act on the Particulars Hereafter—

- 1<sup>st</sup> Ly To chuse Town officers for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing as y<sup>e</sup> Law Directs:
- 2<sup>d</sup> Ly To Pass a Vote whether y<sup>e</sup> County Rate shall be paid out of y<sup>e</sup> Town Treasury for y<sup>e</sup> year 1757 or not:
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Ly To Act and To what may be thought proper Relating to schoolmasters.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Ly To chuse a Committee in Behalf of said Town to examine all accounts that shall be Brought against said Town and except them or Disexcept them as they shall think proper:
- 5<sup>th</sup> Ly To chuse a Committee to make up accounts with our Present Town Treasurer for y<sup>e</sup> year 1756
- 6<sup>th</sup> Ly To agree and Pass a Vote what sum of money shall be Raised by way of Tax on y<sup>e</sup> Inhabitants of 2<sup>d</sup> Town for y<sup>e</sup> present year for paying of schoolmasters and other Necessary charge arising within said Town.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Ly Whereas Capt Noah Sprague agent for y<sup>e</sup> Town of Rochester Put in a Petition to y<sup>e</sup> General Court at Boston Respecting an oversight in y<sup>e</sup> Reference that settled y<sup>e</sup> Jurisdiction Line Between y<sup>e</sup> Town of Dartmouth and y<sup>e</sup> Town of Rochester: Now for y<sup>e</sup> Town at 2<sup>d</sup> meeting to act and To what they shall think proper Relating y<sup>e</sup> Premises.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Ly Whereas Perry Richmond Desired we would Insert in this warrant y<sup>e</sup> words following (viz) that y<sup>e</sup> Town would consider him and ease him of his son's rate: by reason he hired a man in his room which went into his Majesty's service in y<sup>e</sup> Expedition against Crown Point last year:

9<sup>th</sup> Ly to Receive y<sup>e</sup> Returns of highways Laid out by y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen and their orders

10<sup>th</sup> Ly Whereas there is a number of Idle vagrant persons who mispend their time and money and Do not Improve their Estates to their Advantage: and are likely to Become a Town charge: (if not Remided) Now for y<sup>e</sup> Town to Pass a Vote at said meeting (if they shall think proper) that y<sup>e</sup> overseers of y<sup>e</sup> poor Take y<sup>e</sup> Estates of those Idle vagrant persons out of their hands and Let it out and Bind them out to service agreeable to a Late Law of this Province or other ways act and To as they shall think proper in y<sup>e</sup> affair:

and make Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon unto y<sup>e</sup> Town select at or Before y<sup>e</sup> Time of said meeting:

Given under our hands at Dartmouth this 14<sup>th</sup> Day of March A.D. 1757.

Jereh Swift	} Selectmen of Dartm <sup>s</sup> .
John Lovel	
Benj <sup>m</sup> Cokin	

Dartmouth March y<sup>e</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> 1757.

Agreeable to this warrant I have Notified and Worn<sup>d</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Inhabitants of y<sup>e</sup> Town to meet together at Time & Place within expresset

for me William Wood Constable

At a Town Meeting Legally Worn<sup>d</sup> and held at y<sup>e</sup> Town House in Dartmouth on Thursday y<sup>e</sup> 31<sup>st</sup> Day of March 1757  
 Humphry Smith chosen Moderator for 2<sup>d</sup> meeting.  
 Giles Hlocum Jethro Hathaway and Christopher Cadman was chosen Selectmen:  
 Giles Hlocum Refused to serve Selectman: and Holden Hlocum was chosen Selectman in his Room.

Mch. 31: 1757

Benj<sup>n</sup> Akin was chosen Town Clerk.  
 Jabez Parker, Jr. was chosen Town Treasurer.  
 James Griffith Jonathan Soule and Benj<sup>n</sup> Allen  
 of 2<sup>nd</sup> was chosen Constables.  
 Capt Gabriel Hix John Sawton Peleg Cornwell  
 Nicholas Howland Jeddediah Wood and  
 Jonathan Brownell Survey<sup>rs</sup> of Highways for  
 Accuicknet:

James Griffith John Potter Benj<sup>n</sup> Briggs.  
 Nicholas Howland Prince Allen David Shephard  
 David Parker Nathaniel Sawdash William Hart  
 Jonathan Mosher Jr. and Thomas Pell was  
 chosen Survey<sup>rs</sup> of Highways for Aponaganet:  
 John Bennet Ebenezer Akin Isaac Spooner  
 William Wood Col<sup>l</sup> Samuel Willis was chosen

Survey<sup>rs</sup> of Highways for Accuicknet:

Ebenezer Cushman James Mosher and  
 John June of 2<sup>d</sup> was chosen Tythingmen:

David Smith Jonathan Hussey William Wood of 3<sup>d</sup>  
 John Tripp Jich Siefert + Hezekiah Winslow  
 was chosen Fence Viewers:

James Cushman Nathaniel Potter (son of John  
 Potter) and Daniel Russell was chosen  
 Pound keepers:

Joseph Macomber William Olney Daniel Sumner  
 for John Spooner Iereat Sherman and Jonathan  
 Sherman of 2<sup>d</sup> was chosen Hoag Reves.

Abraham Sherman Bartholomew Taber and  
 Timothy Devil Devil was chosen Assessors.

It was put to vote whether of Town would  
 concede Perry Richmond about his sons Rate  
 and it past in of negative.

Noted

that of County Rate for of year: 1757  
 shall be paid out of of Town Treasury.

Noted

that there shall be put one Schoolmaster  
 Mr James Allen was chosen agent in Behalf of  
 said Town pursuant to of seventh article in of

Warrant for calling this meeting: to make  
 answer to a Petition at of General now sitting  
 at Boston that Capt Noah Sprague agent for of  
 Town of Rochester put into of General Court sum  
 Time past Respecting an oversight in the Gentil  
 men Referees that settled of Jurisdiction Line  
 Between of Town of Dartmouth and the Town  
 of Rochester.

Kumphry Smith Richard Cornwell + Thomas Hathaway  
 was chosen a committee agreeable to of 1<sup>st</sup> article  
 in of warrant for calling this meeting and  
 make Report of their Doings to of Adjournment of  
 of meeting which is the second Day of May  
 next:

The Town met of Second Day of May 1757 May 2: 1757  
 and Thomas Hathaway was chosen Constable  
 in of room of Benj<sup>n</sup> Allen of 2<sup>nd</sup>.

George Wood was chosen Constable in of  
 Room of Jonathan Soule who was last chosen  
 + Refused to serve:

Wm Wood Prince Allen + Benj<sup>n</sup> Briggs was  
 chosen Survey<sup>rs</sup> of Highways:

John Spooner + Moses Washburn was chosen  
 Hoag Reves:

Elegear Smith Seth Sherman John Wilbour  
 Aron Davis Elkanah Moton + Henry Wrighting  
 ton was chosen field Drivers:

William Bennet + John Bennet was chosen  
 Deer Reaves:

Noted agreeable to of sixth article in of  
 warrant for calling this meeting:

that there  
 shall be raised by way of Tax on of Inhab  
 itants of of Town this year of sum of fifty  
 pounds Lawfull money

May 19: 1757 At a Town meeting held by Adjournment at y<sup>e</sup> Town House in Dartmouth y<sup>e</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> Day of May 1757:  
 Humphrey Smith Moderator for s<sup>d</sup> meeting and then y<sup>e</sup> Town and Jonathan Soul was chosen Constable in y<sup>e</sup> Room of George Wood who was Last chosen:  
 Philip Cannon was chosen Constable in y<sup>e</sup> room of Thomas Hathaway who was Last chosen & refused to serve:  
 Peleg Buddlestone was chosen Surveyor of Highways  
 Benj<sup>n</sup> Oskin was chosen Agent in Behalf of said Town in ye Room of M<sup>r</sup> James Allen to make Answer to a Petition that Capt. Noah Sprague agent for y<sup>e</sup> Town of Rochester put into y<sup>e</sup> General Court at Boston sum Time past and was Reffer<sup>d</sup> over to y<sup>e</sup> decision of may Instant Respecting an oversight in y<sup>e</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> Refferes that settled y<sup>e</sup> Jurisdiction Line Between y<sup>e</sup> Town of Dartmouth and y<sup>e</sup> Town of Rochester.

May 19: 1757 Sec 21 Bristol: ss: To the Constables of y<sup>e</sup> Town of Dartm<sup>l</sup> or either of them Greeting: In his Majesty's Name you are forthwith Required to Notifie and Worn all y<sup>e</sup> freeholders and other Inhabitants of y<sup>e</sup> Town of Dartmouth that are Qualified by Law to Vote in Town meetings that they meet at y<sup>e</sup> Town house in s<sup>d</sup> Dartmouth on Thursday y<sup>e</sup> Ninth Day of June next at one of y<sup>e</sup> clock in y<sup>e</sup> after noon on s<sup>d</sup> Day then and there to act on ye Particulars hereafter mentioned.

1<sup>st</sup> Day for y<sup>e</sup> Town at s<sup>d</sup> meeting to Vote George Woods fine for his Refusing to serve Constable to Jonathan Soul for his serving Constable or otherwise as y<sup>e</sup> Town at s<sup>d</sup>

meeting shall think proper.

2<sup>d</sup> Day for ye Town at s<sup>d</sup> meeting to vote Philip Cannon seven pound Ten shillings Lawfull money to be paid out of the Constables fines that have been already chosen and Refused to serve: for his serving Constable for ye year ensuing:

3<sup>d</sup> Day for y<sup>e</sup> Town at s<sup>d</sup> meeting to pass a Vote to Impower y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen of s<sup>d</sup> Town to Draw money out of y<sup>e</sup> Town Treasury for y<sup>e</sup> support of y<sup>e</sup> poor of s<sup>d</sup> Town for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing or otherwise as they shall think proper:

And make return of this Warrant with your Doings therein to y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen of s<sup>d</sup> Town at or before y<sup>e</sup> Time Limited for s<sup>d</sup> meeting. Given under our hands and seals in Dartmouth this 19<sup>th</sup> Day of May in y<sup>e</sup> Thirtieth year of his Majesties Reign A. D. 1757.

Holder Tlocum } Selectmen of  
 Christ<sup>l</sup> loadman } Dartm<sup>l</sup>.

Bristol ss: Pursuant to y<sup>e</sup> within warrant to me Directed I have Notified all y<sup>e</sup> free holders and other Inhabitants as within mentioned to meet at Time & place:

for me James Griffeth Constable.

At a Town meeting Legally Worned and June 9: 1757 held at y<sup>e</sup> Town House in Dartmouth on y<sup>e</sup> ninth Day of June 1757  
 Jabez Barker chosen Moderator for s<sup>d</sup> meeting Seth Hathaway, Timothy Sherman & Christopher loadman was chosen standing grand jury men for y<sup>e</sup> year.  
 Timothy Sherman Refused to serve:  
 Thomas Pell was chosen standing grand jury man for ye year in ye Room of Timothy Sherman.

June 9: 1757 At a Town meeting held at y<sup>r</sup>. Town House in Dartm<sup>o</sup>. on y<sup>r</sup>. ninth Day of June 1757: Jabez Parker was chosen Moderator for s<sup>d</sup>. meeting.

Voted that George Woods fine for not serving Conestable shall be paid to Jonathan Soul for his serving Conestable:

Voted that Philip Cannon shall have seven pound & ten shillings Lawfull money out of y<sup>r</sup>. fines of them that was chosen Conestables and Refused to serve.

Mich. 21: 1758 <sup>Seal</sup> Bristol ss To the Conestables of y<sup>r</sup>. Town of Dartmouth In said County or either of these

Greeting: In his Majesty's Name you are Required fourth with To Notific and Worn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants that are Qualified to Vote in Town meetings as the Law Directs that they meet together at y<sup>r</sup>. town House in s<sup>d</sup>. Town on the Twenty first of this Instant March at Ten of y<sup>r</sup>. Clock in y<sup>r</sup>. forenoon there and there to act on the Particulars hereafter mentioned.

1<sup>ly</sup> To chuse Town officers for y<sup>r</sup>. year ensuing as y<sup>r</sup>. Law Directs

2<sup>dy</sup> To agree & Vote how many schoolmasters for this year ensuing as the Town shall think proper.

3<sup>ly</sup> To conclude by a Vote what sum of money shall be raised by way of Tax this present year for Paying of schoolmasters and other necessary charges within s<sup>d</sup>. Town.

4<sup>dy</sup> That Whereas in Time past there has been Divers ways Laid out (by the Select men) within s<sup>d</sup>. Town which were never approbated as y<sup>r</sup>. Law Directs:

Now for said Town at said Meeting to approve or Disprove of all such ways within s<sup>d</sup>. Town as have not been approbated as aforesaid.

5<sup>ly</sup> To chuse a Committee to settle accounts with y<sup>r</sup>. Town Treasure of s<sup>d</sup>. Town and likewise to settle adjust and Determine all accounts with those that have or shall have accounts to bring against s<sup>d</sup>. Town for the ensuing year so that the Selectmen may give order to s<sup>d</sup>. Treasure for Payment accordingly:

Hereof fail not, and make Return of this Warrant with your Doings thereon unto us or either of us y<sup>r</sup>. subscribers on or Before y<sup>r</sup>. 27<sup>th</sup> of this Instant.

Given under our hands & seals att. Dartmouth afores<sup>d</sup>. This fourth Day of March 1758.  
Christopher badman } Selectmen of  
Jthos Hathaway } Dartmouth

Persuant to the within Warrant to me Directed I have Notified all the Freeholders and Inhabitants of said Town that are Qualified to Vote in Town meetings that they meet at Time and place as set fourth in said Warrant.

for me James Griffith Constable.

At a Town meeting Legally Worn<sup>d</sup> & held at Mich. 28: 1758 the Town House in Dartmouth the 21<sup>st</sup>. Day of March 1758

Humphry Smiths was chosen Moderator for s<sup>d</sup>. meeting:

Humphry Smiths Jereh Swift and Christopher badman was chosen Selectmen for the year ensuing Benjamin Akin was chosen Town clerk for the year ensuing-

Ebenezer Akin Ezekiel Cornell and Prince Allen

was chosen Assessors for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing:  
 Benjamin Russell Carpenter William Wood  
 (son of George Wood Deceased) and Caleb June  
 was chosen Constables for the year ensuing:  
 Benj<sup>r</sup>: Russell Carpenter Refused to serve and  
 William Sanford y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup>: was chosen in his  
 Room:

Jabez Barker Jun<sup>r</sup> was chosen Town Treasure  
 for the year ensuing and agreed with for the  
 same as he had Last year which was three  
 Pence y<sup>r</sup> Pound for Receiving in and paying  
 out the Towns money

Jonathan Winlow Seth Morton Caleb Lechuch  
 Cornelius June John Bennett Jireh Swift &  
 Caleb Russell chosen Surveyors of Highways for  
 Acquisset Village.

Daniel Cornell William Sherman Cordwinder  
 Benj<sup>r</sup>: Smith James Mosher Carpenter:  
 Tho<sup>s</sup>: Bell Nathaniel Mosher Eleazer Trinells  
 Jonathan Sherman David Shepherd William Wood  
 John Russell y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup>: chosen Surveyors of highways  
 for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing for Acquisset Village:

George Tibits Richard Cornell Jonathan Brownell  
 Thomas Gory John Loul John Bifford &  
 Jonathan Loul was chosen Surveyors of High  
 Ways for the year ensuing for Acquisset Village.  
 Nathaniel Potter son of John Potter: Daniel  
 Russell & Isaac Spooner chosen Pound keepers  
 for the year ensuing.

Thomas Pope Febeles Allen & Ichabod Patten  
 chosen Leather Sealers for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing:  
 Joseph Loul James Mosher Jabez Wing  
 Sam<sup>l</sup>: Spooner Jun<sup>r</sup> Job Bifford and Baraan Bifford  
 was chosen field Drivers for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing &  
 John Shepherd chosen Sealer of w<sup>t</sup>: & measures  
 for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing.

Walter Spooner Daniel Smith & John Loul was  
 chosen Deer Beers for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing.

John Ricketson Thomas West & Jedediah Wood

was chosen Tything men for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing:  
 David Smith Jonathan Soucy Tho<sup>s</sup>: Pope &  
 Hezekiah Winlow was chosen fence Viewers for  
 y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing.

Stokes Tripp Job Wood & John Hopkins was  
 chosen Bog Reavers for the year ensuing.

Noted

there shall be but one school master upon  
 y<sup>e</sup>: Town charge for the year ensuing  
 Humphry Smith Jonathan Loul & Thomas  
 Hathaway are chosen a committee Pursuant  
 to y<sup>e</sup>: fifth article in the warrant for calling  
 this meeting -

Benjamin Akin & Bartholomew Taber are chosen  
 a com<sup>t</sup>: to examine the Returns of highways  
 and the Records and make Report to y<sup>e</sup> ad  
 journment of this meeting what will be  
 proper to do therein

This meeting is Adjourn<sup>d</sup>: to y<sup>e</sup>: third Tuesday  
 of May next.

At a Town meeting held by Adjournment May 16: 1758  
 at the Town house in Dartmouth 16<sup>th</sup>: Day of  
 May 1758.

then y<sup>e</sup>: Town meet and David Shepherd and  
 John Russell y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup>: was chosen Surveyors of  
 highways -

George White & Ichabod Kirby chosen fence  
 Viewers:

John June chosen fence Viewer in y<sup>e</sup>: Room of  
 Hezekiah Winlow who Refused to serve.

Jabez Wing Samuel Spooner Jun<sup>r</sup>: Job Bifford  
 Baraan Bifford was chosen field Drivers.

Sideon Bifford Nicholas Howland & Daniel  
 Summerton chosen Tything men for y<sup>e</sup> year  
 ensuing.

Stoke Tripp Job Wood & John Hopkins chosen  
 Bog reavers:

George Badcock was chosen constable in the Room of Caleb June who was not Worn<sup>d</sup>. to Take his place timely:

William Wood: son of George Wood was chosen constable in y<sup>e</sup> Room of him that was Last chosen:

William Wood George's son being present declared his Refusal to serve and the Town Proceeded to another person in his room and chose Recompense Kerby constable:

James Fuller was chosen constable in the Room of George Badcock who Refused to serve: Voted upon y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> Article in the Warrant for calling y<sup>e</sup> Annual Town meeting this year that there shall be eight hundred Lawfull money Raised by way of Tax on y<sup>e</sup> Inhabitants of said Town for y<sup>e</sup> paying of schoolmasters & other necessary charges arising within s<sup>d</sup> Town And also Voted

that y<sup>e</sup> County rate shall be paid out: of y<sup>e</sup> Town Treasury this year.

May 16: 1758 Dartmouth May y<sup>e</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> 1758-

Pursuant to a Vote of the Town we the subscribers Having Examined the Returns of Highways Laid out by y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen of State and not on Record and think it Reasonable that there shall be excepted and be of Record: we have Likewise Viewed the Record of ways already on Record and find them mostly to bare Date before y<sup>e</sup> year 1727 at which time the Act Passed for the Town to approbate s<sup>d</sup> ways before they should be of force and to go to Record and these few that have gone to Record that bare date since the year 1727 - appearing to us to be legal that is such of them as we have not found to be approbated according to Law:

Therefore we are of opinion that the said ways already on record be valid to all intents and purposes as if they had been approbated according to Law any thing to the contrary Notwithstanding: excepting one that was laid from Peleg Shermane to the south side of the Wilkeses Land in y<sup>e</sup> year 1750 or 51

Benj<sup>a</sup> Akin } Comm<sup>th</sup>  
Barth: Taber }

At a Town meeting held by Adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> Day of May 1758  
Voted

that the above Report be accepted & that it be of Record.

Attest: Benj<sup>a</sup> Akin Town Cler

Seal Bristol ss: To the Constables of y<sup>e</sup> Town May 3: 1758 of Dartmouth or either of them Greeting In his Majesty's Name you are hereby Required fourthwith to Notify and Worn all y<sup>e</sup> free holders and other inhabitants of said Town that are Qualified to Vote in Town meetings that they meet together at y<sup>e</sup> Town house in s<sup>d</sup> Town on the sixteenth Day of this Instant at one of y<sup>e</sup> Clock in the afternoon next Day then and there to act on the Particulars Hereafter mentioned -

! By Whereas it hath been a Practice for some Time past to choose Two Constables in each Village: and each two to Procure one to serve: and their fines Remitted - and as William Sanford and Benj<sup>a</sup> Russell Carpenters was chosen Constables in a Ponaganset Village for this present year Now for the Town to Vote either of their fines to y<sup>e</sup> other of them that shall serve: or if they two shall Procure some other

other Person to y<sup>e</sup> exceptance of the Town that will serve for the Town to Remitt their fines: and so for the Town in the same manner to Proceed and Doe for and with the other Two Villages in s<sup>d</sup> Town - or other wise for s<sup>d</sup> Town to act and Doe at s<sup>d</sup> meeting what may be by s<sup>d</sup> Town thought proper Respecting the choosing and Procuring Constables for this present year.

2<sup>d</sup>ly Whereas there is sum persons that goe about up and Down in s<sup>d</sup> Town Idling away their time under pretence that they want have employ: nor any home or place to be at: Which Renders it very Likely they will become a Town charge: if there is not sum speedily bear Taken of them: Now for the Town to conclude something by a Vote what may be thought proper: in order for their being put into the work house and put to Labour: to prevent the Inconveniencies that may attend their Going about as afores<sup>d</sup>: or other wise order as may at s<sup>d</sup> meeting be thought proper in that affair:

And make Return of this Warrant and your Doings thereon unto the Town clerk at or before the Time of said meeting.

Given under our hands this third Day of May A. D. 1758

John Swift } Selectmen of  
Humphry Smith } Dartm<sup>o</sup>.

District ss: Hereunto to the within warrant to me Directed I have notified all y<sup>e</sup> free holders & other Inhabitants as within mentioned to meet at Time & place within appointed.

James Griffith Constable

At a Town meeting legally Worn<sup>d</sup> and held at y<sup>e</sup> Town House in Dartmouth y<sup>e</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> Day of May 1758.

Humphry Smith was chosen Moderator for said meeting:

James Griffith was excepted of Constable in y<sup>e</sup> Room of William Sanford and Benjamin Russell carpenters fine for not serving Constable was Remitted:

Voted in Regard to y<sup>e</sup> second article in the Warrant for calling this meeting

that y<sup>e</sup> Selectmen have full power to send all Idle persons that mispend their time by going about in said Town (and Pretend they have no home nor employ) to the work House: and there be put under sum suitable master as the Selectmen shall appoint: and kept to Labour.  
Also Voted

that Benjamin Kirk shall have one shilling Lawfull money for Day for his attendance at the Great and General Court this year at Boston for his extraordinary expences.

District ss: To the Constables of the Town of Dartmouth or either of them Greeting In his Majesty's Name you are hereby forth with Required to Notify all y<sup>e</sup> Freeholders and other Inhabitants of s<sup>d</sup> Town that are Qualified to Vote in Town meetings that they meet together at y<sup>e</sup> Town House in s<sup>d</sup> Town on the seventeenth Day of this Instant June at one a clock in the afternoon on s<sup>d</sup> Day then and there to act on the Particulars hereafter mentioned ly Whereas it hath been a practice of s<sup>d</sup> Town for sum Time past to choose two Constables in each Village: and each two to Procure one to serve and their fines Remitted: and

now as there was at y<sup>e</sup> last Town meeting two chosen in each village: to wit Acapset and Aquichmet: if one of either two that was chosen as afores<sup>d</sup> shall serve or procure one for each village to the acceptance of the Town that shall serve: ye fines of that two that shall so comply to be Remitted or otherwise for the Town to act & To what may at s<sup>d</sup> meeting be thought proper for the choosing or procuring of constables in the Roomes of them that was chosen at y<sup>e</sup> meeting afores<sup>d</sup>.

2ly to fill the Vacancie of Town officers if any there be

3ly As there hath been an Application made to us setting forth that George Wilbour is under Doe Circumstances and not well able to pay his Rate

Now for the Town to consider him on that account as they may think proper

And make Return of this warrant and your Doings thereon to us or either of us at or before the Time of s<sup>d</sup> meeting fail not

Given under our hands this seventh day of June A<sup>d</sup>: 1758

Jerh Swift	} Selectmen of Dartm <sup>s</sup> .
Christopher Goodman	
Humphry Smith	

Persuant to y<sup>e</sup> Within Warrant I have Notified all y<sup>e</sup> free holders & other Inhabitants within mentioned to meet at the Time and place within mentioned.

James Griffith Constable.

At a Town meeting Legally Worn<sup>d</sup> and held June 17: 1758  
at y<sup>e</sup> Town house in Dartm<sup>s</sup> y<sup>e</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> Day of June 1758

Humphry Smith was chosen Moderator for s<sup>d</sup> meeting:

Nathaniel Potter son of John Potter was excepted of to be constable in y<sup>e</sup> room of Reconcience Kerby who was last chosen:

and William Wood (son of George Wood) fine is Remitted:

Isaac Spooner was excepted of to be constable in y<sup>e</sup> room of James Fuller who was last chosen for Aquichmet Village:

and George Badcock fine is Remitted

the third article in y<sup>e</sup> Warrant for balling this Meeting was past over.

Priodol: ss: To the constables of the Town of Dartmouth or either of them Greeting:

in his Majestys Name you are fourthwith Required to Notify and w<sup>o</sup>rn all y<sup>e</sup> Freeholders and other Inhabitants that are Qualified to Vote in Town meetings of said Town that they assemble and meet together at y<sup>e</sup> Town house in s<sup>d</sup> Town on y<sup>e</sup> Thirtieth Day of this Instant March at ten of the clock in the forenoon on s<sup>d</sup> day then & there to act on y<sup>e</sup> Particulars hereafter mentioned

1ly To choose Town officers for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing as y<sup>e</sup> Law Directs:

2ly To conclude by a Vote how many school masters there shall be Improved on the Towns account y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing:

3ly To conclude by a Vote what sum of money there shall be Rased by way of Tax on the Inhabitants of said Town for the paying of schoolmasters and the Defraying of other charges of said Town.

4<sup>th</sup> day To Receive the Returns of ways Laid out by the Selectmen of said Town and except of them in order for record if it is thought proper.

5<sup>th</sup> day To act and Do something in Respect to the Work House in order for the receiving and putting to Labour those Idle persons that goe up and Down in sd Town Tippling and spending their Time Idelly.

6<sup>th</sup> day To choose a committee to Receive and Ad. just accounts with those that hath Demands against sd Town.

7<sup>th</sup> day Whereas it hath been represented to us by sum of the Inhabitants of sd Town that after Fishers wife hath Long been sick and as he being a man of a small estate Run due him almost unable to support her so as to keep her from being in a suffering case:

Now if the Town thinks proper to Voto him sum Relieve no Doubt he will willingly Receive it.

8<sup>th</sup> day To choose a County Treasurer for the ensuing year

9<sup>th</sup> day To act and Voto something for the Incomragement of Killing of Stray Squirrels if the Town at sd meeting thinks proper.

And make return of this warrant with your Doings thereon unto us or sum of us fail not Given under our hands this third Day of March A. D. 1759

Humphry Smith	} Selectmen of Dartmouth
Jereh Swift	
Christopher badman	

Persuant to y<sup>e</sup>. within Warrant to me Directed I have satisfied the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of sd Town to meet at time & place within mentioned for me James Griffith Constable.

This meeting is adjourned to ye 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of May next.

At a Town Meeting Legally convened and held at y<sup>e</sup>. Town house in Dartmouth the 30<sup>th</sup> Day of March 1759:

Humphry Smith was chosen Moderator for to Regulate said meeting.

Humphry Smith Christopher badman & Walter Spooner was chosen Selectmen: for y<sup>e</sup>. year ensuing.

Benja<sup>n</sup> Akin was chosen Town clerk for the year ensuing.

Jabez Barker, Jun. was chosen Town Treasurer for the year ensuing.

Ebenzer Akin Prince Allen & Ezeckell Cornell was chosen Assessors for y<sup>e</sup>. year ensuing.

Simeon Tallman John Earle & Caleb Jenne was chosen Constables for y<sup>e</sup>. year ensuing:

Caleb Jenne being present and declared his Refusal to serve.

Andrew Haskell was chosen Constable in y<sup>e</sup>. room of Caleb Jenne who refused to serve.

The Town chose one school master for the year ensuing.

Eleazer Smith Benj<sup>n</sup> Smith Jonathan Tallman Jun. Lebulon Allen Richard Kirby Thomas Bell

John Badcock Eideon Gifford Benja<sup>n</sup> Hocum Jonathan Sherman Eleazer Perry William Wood

Jonathan Brownall Christopher badman Jonathan Deiel Wm. son Nathaniel Pattis.

John son Ebenzer Willis Jereh Swift Jonathan Winslow Caleb Church Hozekiah

Winslow Jonathan Brownall Isaac Spooner Ebenzer Akin George Allen William Lison

& Capt. Gabriel Hoicke was chosen Surveyor of Highways for y<sup>e</sup>. year ensuing.

Joseph Spooner John Wady Jonathan Taber y<sup>e</sup>  
2<sup>nd</sup> was chosen Tything men:  
Jonathan Rickelton James Cornell & James  
Cushman was chosen Sealers of Leather:  
David Russell William Sherman: Jur. was  
chosen hog reaves:  
Daniel Summerton & Samuel Mendall was  
chosen hog reaves:  
David Smith Jonathan Berry Jethro Hathaway  
& Tho<sup>s</sup> Pope Const<sup>l</sup> chosen fence Viewers:  
Jonathan Brownall & Tho<sup>s</sup> Long was chosen fence  
Viewers:  
John Lawton Jeremiah Bennett and John Bennett  
was chosen Deer Reaves:  
John Shepard chosen Dealer of w<sup>ts</sup> and measure  
Humphrey Smith Jonathan Soul and Thomas  
Hathaway was chosen a Committee agreeable to  
y<sup>e</sup> 6 article in y<sup>e</sup> Warrant for balling this meeting.

May 15: 1759

At a Town meeting held by Adjournment  
at y<sup>e</sup> Town House in Dartm. on y<sup>e</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> Day of  
May 1759 -  
Benj<sup>a</sup> Briggs Philip Macomber & Aaron June  
was chosen Constables in y<sup>e</sup> Room of Sirias.  
Tallman John Carl & Andrew Haskell who was  
chosen at y<sup>e</sup> Last Annual Town meeting: and  
refused to serve.  
John Russell Daniel Summerton and  
Nathaniel Potter: (John<sup>s</sup> Son) was chosen Pound  
keepers for y<sup>e</sup> year ensuing -  
Abraham Sherman & Jabez Barker: Jur. was  
chosen Surveyors of highways for y<sup>e</sup> year  
ensuing:  
Jonathan Taber y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> & Benj<sup>a</sup> Allen was chosen  
Tythingmen.  
Capt Benj Richmond was chosen fence Viewer:  
Noted

that there be one hundred pound Raised by

way of Tax on the Inhabitants of the Town of  
Dartm. for the Defraying of the Necessary  
Charges arising within s<sup>d</sup> Town.

<sup>Text</sup> Bristol: ss: To the Constables of the Town of June 19: 1759  
Dartm: or either of them Greeting:  
In his Majesties Name you are hereby forth  
with required to Notifie and warn all the free  
holders and other Inhabitants of s<sup>d</sup> Town that  
are Qualified by Law to Vote in Town meetings  
that they meet together at the Town house in  
s<sup>d</sup> Town on the second day of July next at one  
of the clock in the afternoon on s<sup>d</sup> Day. then  
and there to act on the Particulars hereafter  
mentioned.

Firstly To choose Constables in the roomes of  
them that was chosen at the Annual Town  
Meeting in March Last past. or at the Adjourn  
ment of s<sup>d</sup> Meeting since and have refused  
or neglected to take their Places or to serve  
in s<sup>d</sup> office.

2<sup>d</sup>ly as it hath been a Practice in s<sup>d</sup> Town for  
some Time past to choose Two Constables  
in each Village and each Town Procuring one  
to the expection of the Town that will serve:  
then and in that case their fines have been  
Remitted - Now for the Town at s<sup>d</sup> meeting  
to Proceed and act as above s<sup>d</sup>: and if it  
should so happen than any of them so chosen  
have paid their fines: it be Voted then  
that may hereafter be chosen in the Village  
where the Fine is paid for an Encourage  
ment to serve - or other wise for the Town  
at s<sup>d</sup> meeting to act Vote and Do what  
they may think proper in order for the  
procuring Constables to serve.

And make return of this Warrant with and  
your Doings thereon unto y<sup>e</sup> clerk of s<sup>d</sup> Town

at or before the Time of s<sup>d</sup> meeting  
 Given under our hands this 19<sup>th</sup> Day of June 1759.  
 Humphry Smith } Selectmen of  
 Walter Spooner } Dartm.

Ordeal: ss: Pursuant to the within Warrant I  
 have notified all the freeholders and other  
 Inhabitants Quallified according to Law to Vote  
 in Town meetings to meet together at the Time  
 and Place within mentioned.

Given under my hand in Dartmouth June y<sup>e</sup>  
 30<sup>th</sup> 1759

Ja<sup>s</sup> Griffeth Constable-  
 This meeting is adjourn<sup>d</sup> to y<sup>e</sup> 31<sup>st</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> Day  
 of this Instant July.

July 2: 1759

At a Town meeting Legally Worn<sup>d</sup> and held  
 at the Town house in Dartmouth the second day  
 of July 1759

John Swift was chosen Moderator for s<sup>d</sup>  
 meeting:

James Griffeth was chosen constable in y<sup>e</sup>  
 room of Benj<sup>a</sup> Briggs, who refused to serve, and  
 if the s<sup>d</sup> Jam<sup>s</sup> Griffeth Taketh the oath to y<sup>e</sup>  
 office of Constable and serves the s<sup>d</sup> Town of  
 Dartm. in s<sup>d</sup> office: for y<sup>e</sup> year 1759-

Then Lewis Tallman & Benj<sup>a</sup> Briggs are excused  
 from their fines for not serving constables in  
 consideration of their hiring y<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> Jam<sup>s</sup> Griffeth  
 to serve constable for y<sup>e</sup> year 1759-

Isaac Spooner was chosen constable in y<sup>e</sup>  
 room of Aaron June who was last chosen (who  
 had been chosen before and paid his fine)  
 and the fines of Caleb June and Andrew Backell  
 for not serving constables when chosen are  
 Voted to Isaac Spooner for his Encouragement  
 for serving constable for y<sup>e</sup> year 1759:

if ye said Isaac Spooner Quallifies himself

according to Law to serve.

Ordeal: ss: To the Constables of the Town of Dartmouth or either of them Aug. 27: 1759.  
 Greeting

You are hereby required Fourthly required  
 in his Majesty's Name to Notifie and Worn all the  
 Freeholders & other Inhabitants of said Town that  
 are Quallified by Law to Vote in Town meetings  
 that they meet together at the Town House  
 in s<sup>d</sup> Town on the 5<sup>th</sup> Day of September next  
 after Date at Two of the clock in the afternoon  
 on said day, then and there to act on the par-  
 ticulars hereafter mentioned (viz)

Firstly Whereas there was Constables chosen at  
 the Annual Town Meeting in March Last  
 past who Did not take their places to said  
 office; and at other Town Meetings since  
 there hath been Constables successively  
 chosen in their rooms, that was chosen  
 as above said and have not as yet Taken  
 their places or oath to said office as the Law  
 Directs: Now for the Town to choose Con-  
 stables in the rooms of them that have  
 been last chosen and have not Taken  
 their Places as abovesaid.

2<sup>ly</sup> As it hath been a Practice in said Town  
 to choose Two Constables in each Village  
 in s<sup>d</sup> Town: and either Two of them to  
 be chosen Procuring one to serve to the except-  
 ance of s<sup>d</sup> Town the fines of them so chosen  
 have been Remitted:

Now for the Town at said Meeting to act  
 and Vote accordingly - or in any way or  
 means to gitt a Constable that will  
 serve.

And make return of this Warrant and your  
 Doings thereon unto the Clerk of s<sup>d</sup> Town:  
 Given under our hands in Dartmouth this

27<sup>th</sup> Day of August A.D. 1759-

Humphry Smith } Selectmen of  
Christopher Goodman } Dartm.

Bristol ss: Pursuant to the within Warrant I have Notified and warned all within mentioned Inhabitants to meet together at y<sup>e</sup> Time and Place within mentioned then and there to act on y<sup>e</sup> particulars within mentioned.

James Griffeth Constable  
This meeting is Adjourn<sup>d</sup> to Tuesday y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> of this Instant Sept. 1759-

Sept. 5: 1759

At a Town meeting Legally warn<sup>d</sup> and held at the Town House in Dartm<sup>s</sup> on the fifth day of September - 1759-

Humphry Smith chosen Moderator for s<sup>d</sup> meeting Jonathan Patten was chosen Constable in the room of Philip Macomber who was Last chosen it appearing the said Philip Macomber had been chosen before and had paid his fine. This meeting was Adjourn<sup>d</sup> to the eighteenth Day of September Instant.

Sept 18: 1759

At a Town meeting held by Adjournment at the Town house in Dartm<sup>s</sup> the eighteenth Day of September - 1759-

Nathaniel Patten (son of John Patten) was chosen Constable in the room of Jonathan Patten who was Last chosen and Refused to serve and Nathaniel Patten (son of John Patten) was agreed with to serve Constable for the year 1759: for John Carle and Jonathan Patten fines: for their not serving Constables when chosen and the said Nathaniel Patten (son of John Patten) Qualified himself immediately after he was chosen to the office of Constable - and this meeting was Dissolved

Bristol ss to the Constables of the Town of Dartmouth or to either of them Greeting:

In his Majesty's Name you are hereby forthwith required to Notify and warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of s<sup>d</sup> Town that are Qualified by Law to Vote in Town meetings that they meet together at the Town House in said Town on the 24<sup>th</sup> Day of this Instant March at Ten of the Clock in the forenoon on s<sup>d</sup> Day then and there to act on the Particulars hereafter mentioned.

- 1<sup>ly</sup> To choose Town officers for the year ensuing as y<sup>e</sup> Law Directs.
  - 2<sup>ly</sup> to conclude what is best to be Done with the work house for the Advantage to the said Town
  - 3<sup>ly</sup> to conclude what number of school masters there shall be provided for the use of s<sup>d</sup> Town & how they shall be Provided.
  - 4<sup>ly</sup> To choose or to committe to settle accounts with the Present Town Treasurer; also to receive and examine accounts of those that have Demands against s<sup>d</sup> Town & in Behalf of s<sup>d</sup> Town to except or Disexcept of them.
  - 5<sup>ly</sup> to receive Returns of ways Laid out by the Selectmen in order for approbation to go on Record.
  - 6<sup>ly</sup> to conclude by a Vote what sum of money shall be Raised by way of Tax for the Paying of school masters and the Defraying of other occasional charges arising within s<sup>d</sup> Town.
  - 7<sup>ly</sup> to pass a Vote for the Drawing money out of the Town Treasury for the paying the bounty rate
- And make Return of this warrant with your Doings thereon unto the Clerk of s<sup>d</sup> Town at or before the Time of s<sup>d</sup> meeting. fail not.

Feb. 3: 1760 Given under our hands this 3<sup>d</sup> Day of March  
A. D. 1760

Humphry Smith	} Selectmen of Tartm.
Christopher badman	
Walter Spooner	

Orest. ss. Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified and warned all the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Tartmouth are Qualified by Law to Vote in town meetings to meet together at the Time and Place within mentioned.

for James Griffith Constable.

Feb. 24: 1760 At a Town meeting Legally Warned & held at the Town House in Tartmouth on y<sup>e</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> Day of March - 1760.

Humphry Smith was chosen Moderator for said meeting

Humphry Smith Christopher badman & Walter Spooner are chosen Selectmen for the year above mentioned.

Benjamin Akin chose Town Clerk by a majority of the votes of 2<sup>d</sup> meeting.

Abraham Sherman Jethro Delano & Christopher badman were chosen Assessors by a majority of the votes of this meeting

Jabez Barker Jun. chosen Town Treasurer for the year ensuing and agreed with for six Pence on y<sup>e</sup> Pound for the Receiving and paying out the Towns money -

Joseph Tansom Peleg Stocum & Timothy Trepp were chosen Constables for the year ensuing. Job Russell chosen Constable in the room of Peleg Stocum who was chosen & Refused to serve.

Jonathan Brownell Nathaniel Spooner Ebenezer Willie Ebenezer Akin Jonathan Spooner

Jonathan Spooner Jonathan Bathaway Samual Bathaway Isaac Spooner & George Badcock - William Bowdash Benj<sup>n</sup> Smith Eleazer Smith Christopher badman Jonathan Tallman Jun. Jedediah Tallman Jonathan Devil William Hart Tho<sup>s</sup> Bell Ichabod Kirby Gabriel Hicks John Gifford William Wood the first David Barker Samuel Hammond Daniel Wing Jonathan Brownell Nathaniel Patten (son of John Patten) Zebulon Allen & Jabez Barker Jun. were chosen Surveyors of Highways - Nathaniel Spooner Philip Cannon William Sanford Jun. Jonathan Cursey Perez Richmond & Thomas Long were chosen fence Viewers - Eleazar Curry Thomas West & Jonathan Talbot y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> was chosen Lying men.

Samuel Spooner Jun. Nathaniel Spooner David Russell Job Wood Charles Dyer & John Mosher were chosen Hogreives.

Nathaniel Patten (son of John Patten) James Cushman Jun. & William Sherman bondwinder were chosen Pound keepers - Voted.

That James Smith shall have the work House to live in for two years at five Dollars per year the said five Dollars per year to be laid out upon the work house in repairing it and the s<sup>d</sup> James Smith is to take care of all the poor and idle persons that shall be sent to said House to keep them to labour.

Humphry Smith Thomas Bathaway & Jonathan Soule were chosen a committee agreeable to y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Article in y<sup>e</sup> warrant for calling this meeting this meeting is adjourned to the 3<sup>d</sup> Tues Day in May next.