

Minutes of the Municipal Council of the  
Township of North Guilford for the year 1854

First Meeting

Monday January the 16<sup>th</sup> 1854

The Council met at the Dughill School House at Eleven o'clock A.M. when the different Councillors was called and answered to their names as follows  
From Ward No. 1 David Sprague junr. Ward No. 2 David Sprague senr. Ward No. 3 David Bannorman Ward No. 4 John Morton Ward No. 5 George Tomlinson. -  
The Council all took the necessary oaths and then proceeded to business.

Moved by Mr. Tomlinson Seconded by Mr. Morton that David Sprague junr. be Reeve for this Township for the present year

Carried

David Sprague junr. then took the oath of office as Reeve and then took the Chair.

Moved by Mr. Morton Seconded by Mr. Sprague that George D. Earl be Auditor for the present year

Carried

The Reeve appointed Ryle, H. Evans as Auditor

Moved by Mr. Morton Seconded by Mr. Tomlinson that Thomas Mossington be the Assessor for the present year

Moved by Mr. Morton Seconded by Mr. Sprague that Thomas Williams be the Collector for the present year

Moved by Mr. Bannorman Seconded by Mr. Tomlinson that this meeting do now adjourn to John Mortons School House on Saturday the 1<sup>st</sup> day of February 1854

David Sprague Junr. R.

Overseers of Highways Bath of  
Office for the year 1854

I do solemnly <sup>swear</sup> that I will truly faithfully and impartially to the best of my knowledge and ability execute the office of overseer of Highways to which I have been appointed in this Township and that I have not received and will not receive any payment or reward or promise of such for the exercise of any part of it or malversation or other undue execution of the said office so help me God; and in default thereof shall forfeit the sum of ten pounds to the use of Her Majesty Her Heirs and successors together with such costs of prosecution as shall be adjudged by the Court

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| Sworn to before me this 3 <sup>rd</sup> day of June 1854 M. Sheppard J. Clk.    | 1  | John Jeffrey                   |
| Sworn to before me March the 7 <sup>th</sup> 1854 M. Sheppard J. Clk.           | 2  | Silas Ennes                    |
| Sworn to before me this 9 <sup>th</sup> day of January 1854 M. Sheppard J. Clk. | 3  | Lyman Crittenden               |
| Sworn to before me this 24 <sup>th</sup> day of May 1854 M. Sheppard J. Clk.    | 4  | Moses Hoisington               |
| Sworn to before me this 3 <sup>rd</sup> day of June 1854 M. Sheppard J. Clk.    | 5  | Titus Mann                     |
| Sworn to before me this 6 <sup>th</sup> day of June 1854 M. Sheppard J. Clk.    | 6  | James Crittenden               |
| Sworn to before me this 8 <sup>th</sup> day of June 1854 M. Sheppard J. Clk.    | 7  | Edwin Aldom                    |
|   | 8  | W. Henry                       |
| Sworn to before me this 2 <sup>nd</sup> day of June 1854 M. Sheppard J. Clk.    | 9  | W. Corbett                     |
| Sworn to before me this 15 <sup>th</sup> day of April 1854 M. Sheppard J. Clk.  | 10 | Jacob Daaper                   |
|   | 11 | Peter Bennett                  |
| Sworn to before me this 16 <sup>th</sup> day of May 1854 M. Sheppard J. Clk.    | 12 | Robert Draper                  |
| Sworn to before me this 14 <sup>th</sup> day of Feb. 1854 M. Sheppard J. Clk.   | 13 | Clayton Cooper                 |
| Sworn to before me this 15 <sup>th</sup> day of March 1854 M. Sheppard J. Clk.  | 14 | Joseph Horning<br>Andrew Sweet |
| Sworn to before me this 16 <sup>th</sup> day of June 1854 M. Sheppard J. Clk.   | 15 | Darius Merritt                 |
| Sworn to before me this 18 <sup>th</sup> day of May 1854 M. Sheppard J. Clk.    | 16 | John Cooper                    |
| Sworn to before me this 16 <sup>th</sup> day of May 1854 M. Sheppard J. Clk.    | 17 | George Proffitt                |
| Sworn to before me this 14 <sup>th</sup> day of April 1854 M. Sheppard J. Clk.  | 18 | John Swain                     |
| Sworn to before me March the 7 <sup>th</sup> 1854 M. Sheppard J. Clk.           | 19 | Andrew Willoughby              |
|   | 20 | Caleb Mann                     |
| Sworn to before me March the 15 <sup>th</sup> 1854 M. Sheppard J. Clk.          | 21 | Samuel Treloar                 |
| Sworn to before me May the 19 <sup>th</sup> 1854 M. Sheppard J. Clk.            | 22 | John Barker                    |
| Sworn to before me May the 19 <sup>th</sup> 1854 M. Sheppard J. Clk.            | 23 | Edward Smith                   |
| Sworn to before me April 3 <sup>rd</sup> 1854 M. Sheppard J. Clk.               | 24 | E. H. Tinson                   |
| Sworn to before me this 3 <sup>rd</sup> day of June 1854 M. Sheppard J. Clk.    | 25 | J. Moore                       |
|   | 26 | Edward Sheppard                |
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## Fenceviewers oath of Office,

I do solemnly swear that I will truly faithfully and impartially to the best of My Knowledge and ability execute the office of Fenceviewer to which I have been appointed in this Township and that I have not received and will not receive any payment or reward or promise of such for the exercise of any partiality or malversation or other undue execution of the said office so help me God? and in default thereof I shall forfeit the sum of ten pounds to the use of Her Majesty Her Heirs and successors together with such costs of prosecution as shall be adjudged by the Court.

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| Sworn to before me April 3 <sup>rd</sup> 1854 W Sheppard J. Clerk | 1 | Jacob Draper jr |
|   | 2 |                 |
|   | 3 |                 |
|   | 4 |                 |
| Sworn to before me Feb 14/1854 W Sheppard J. Clerk                | 5 | Edward Sheppard |
| Sworn to before me April 3 <sup>rd</sup> 1854 W Sheppard J. Clerk | 6 | John Swain      |

## Pound Keepers oath of Office

I do solemnly swear that I will truly faithfully and impartially to the best of My Knowledge and ability execute the office of Pound Keeper to which I have been appointed in this Township and that I have not received and will not receive any payment or reward or promise of such for the exercise of any partiality or malversation or other undue execution of the said office so help me God? and in default thereof I shall forfeit the sum of ten pounds to the use of Her Majesty Her Heirs and successors together with such costs of prosecution as shall be adjudged by the Court.

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| Sworn to before me this 10 <sup>th</sup> day of April 1854 W Sheppard J. Clerk | 1 | John Arnsley   |
|  | 2 | John Draper    |
|  | 3 | Thomas Kintley |
| Sworn to before me this 10 <sup>th</sup> day of April 1854 W Sheppard J. Clerk | 4 | Jesse Greese   |
| Sworn to before me this 5 <sup>th</sup> day of April 1854 W Sheppard J. Clerk  | 5 | Nash Sager     |
| Sworn to before me this 3 <sup>rd</sup> day of April 1854 W Sheppard J. Clerk  | 6 | Richard Swain  |
|  | 7 |                |

## Second Meeting

Saturday February 4<sup>th</sup> 1854

The Council met pursuant to adjournment the Reeve in the Chair Minutes of the last Meeting read Names called over present Messrs. Sprague jun<sup>r</sup>. Sprague sen<sup>r</sup>. Darnorman Morton and Tomlinson - -

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Received from the Reeve two blank Books for the use of the Township, price fifteen shillings.

Moved by Mr. Morton seconded by Mr. Tomlinson that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the amount of Brewer Mr. Phil & Co. Bill for two blank Books for the use of the Township amounting to Fifteen shillings.

An order was given by the Reeve to the Treasurer to pay to the Executors of the estate of the late Hugh Scobie the sum of seventeen shillings and seven pence halfpenny being the balance due him as per account rendered.

Moved by Mr. Morton seconded by Mr. Tomlinson that this Meeting do now adjourn to Hiram Moore's Tavern on Saturday the Third day of June 1854.

David H. Sprague J. R.

## Third Meeting

Saturday June the 3<sup>rd</sup> 1854

The Council met pursuant to adjournment the Reeve in the Chair Minutes of the last Meeting read Names called over present Messers, Sprague Jun<sup>r</sup>, Sprague Sen<sup>r</sup>, Morton and Tomlinson

Moved by Mr. Sprague Seconded by Mr. Morton that all persons wishing to commute for their Statute Labour can do so by paying the sum of three Shillings and nine pence for each days work assessed to him on the Assessment Roll, the said sum of three Shillings and nine pence to be paid to the Township Treasurer who shall give <sup>same</sup> a receipt for the

Moved by Mr. Morton Seconded by Mr. Tomlinson that Alfred Mr. Carly be allowed five days of his Statute Labour for work done in stopping the lake from washing the Road away

Moved by Mr. Morton Seconded by Mr. Sprague that Archibald Mr. Miller William Bache and Ira Young be allowed to do their Statute Labour on the Town Line, in the third Concession between South and East Guillinburg and that William Bache be the Overseer,

Moved by Mr. Tomlinson Seconded by Mr. Morton that the petition of George Prosser and others praying for the support of George Williams an indigent Blind Man be laid over for further consideration

Moved by Mr. Morton Seconded by Mr. Sprague that the Clerk be authorized to post up notices and receive tenders for the support of George Williams an indigent blind Man, said tenders to be received until the first day of July

Moved by Mr. Sprague Seconded by Mr. Morton that this meeting do now adjourn to Hiram Moores Tavern on Saturday the first day of July 1854

David Sprague

Fourth Meeting

Saturday July the 1<sup>st</sup> / 1854

The Council met pursuant to Adjournment the  
Here in the Chair Minutes of the last Meeting read  
Names called over present Messrs, Sprague, Sprague,  
Morton, and Cannonman, 4

Moved by Mr. Cannonman. Seconded by Mr. Morton  
That the petition of Stephen Mann and others be not  
received inasmuch as some of the petitioners are  
desirous that a survey should take place previous  
to the opening of the said Road mentioned in said petition

Moved by Mr. Morton. Seconded by Mr. Cannonman  
that Calab Mann overseer for Division No. 20 be  
authorized to do 12 days of the statute Labour out  
of his Division in Division No. 12

Moved by Mr. Sprague Seconded by Mr. Morton that  
John Bassetfield and George Adill be notified to throw  
open the side Road leading from the sixth Concession Line  
to the Lake between Lots No 9 & 10 in in the Lake Concession  
and also to remove all rubbish that they have moved  
into said Road out of it within twenty days or they will  
be subject to the pains and penalties of the Law,

Moved by Mr. Sprague Seconded by Mr. Morton that  
the Clerk be authorized to get the petition in favour of  
George Williams an Indigent Blind Man printed as  
provided for by the Act of Parliament of 16 Victoria

Moved by Mr. Morton Seconded by Mr. Sprague that  
Bill from the New Era office amounting to five Shillings  
for advertising the Court of Revision, be excepted and  
that the Clerk receive an order to pay the same,

Moved by Mr. Sprague seconded by Mr. Morton that the Treasurer be authorized by the Township Meets to pay to the Meets of the Township the sum of two pounds Ten Shillings as half of the cost of a survey of an allowance of Road between Lots No. 5 & 6 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Concessions together with time occupied in necessary expenses in proving the original posts.

Moved by Mr. Sprague seconded by Mr. Morton that the petition of W. E. J. Corbett be laid over till next meeting.

Moved by Mr. Sprague seconded by Mr. Morton that the Auditors receive the sum of Fifteen Shillings each for their services in Auditing the accounts of the year 1853.

The Meets gave orders to the following persons namely to Myle. H. Evans and George. D. Earl for the sum of Fifteen Shillings each, for services in Auditing the accounts of the year 1853.

To David Sprague for expenses incurred in a survey by order of the Council of the 3<sup>rd</sup> of June 1854.

Also to the New Era office for five Shillings for advertising the Court of Revision.

The Meeting then adjourned sine die, for want of a quorum present.

David Sprague J R

## Fifth Meeting

Saturday August 19<sup>th</sup> 1854

The Council met pursuant to a special meeting called by the Meeve for the dispatch of Township business present Messers Sprague, Sprague, Barronman, Morton and Soulinson, 5

Moved by Mr. Morton seconded by Mr. Sprague that the Selectors of jurors for this Township for the present year receive for their services as follows viz to the Meeve the sum of five Shillings, to the Clerk the sum of fifteen Shillings and to the Assessor the sum of five Shillings

The Meeve gave an order to the Trustees of George Williams for four pounds,

Moved by Mr. Morton seconded by Mr. Sprague that George Soulinson sen. be allowed his portion of Statute Labour for the present year, to recompence him for gravel given by him to put on the Road in Division No. 13

Moved by Mr. Morton seconded by Mr. Soulinson that there be £ 35 Expended on the Roads in this Township in the present year and that it be distributed as follows viz for Ward No 1 - £ 4 " 0 " 0 For Ward No 2 £ 4 " 0 " 0 For Ward No 3 £ 6 " 0 " 0 For Ward No 4 £ 10 " 10 " 0 For Ward No 5 £ 10 " 10 " 0 And that the several Councillors representing each Ward shall have the power to appoint Commissioners, or to let it by contract as they think best to lay out the same, The said money to be expended between the 19<sup>th</sup> day of August and the 1<sup>st</sup> day of November 1854.

Moved by Mr. Soulinson seconded by Mr. Morton that this Meeting do now adjourn to Hiram Woods on Saturday the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September 1854  
Lucas Sprague J. C.



# 10th Meeting

Saturday September 23<sup>rd</sup> - 1854

The Council met pursuant to adjournment the Reeve in the Chair Minutes of the last Meeting read names called over present Messrs Sprague junr Sprague, senr Lannerman, and Morton, and Tomlinson, 5

Moved by Mr Morton Seconded by Mr Tomlinson that no action be taken on the Bill of Henry Stenrett amounting to 2/6

Moved by Mr Morton Seconded by Mr Tomlinson the Bill from the New Era Office be accepted and that the Reeve give an order for the same, amount £1<sup>12</sup> 6

Moved by Mr Tomlinson Seconded by Mr Morton that the Bill from Thompson and Co be accepted and that the Reeve give an order for the same amount £<sup>14</sup> 10<sup>2</sup>

Moved by Mr Morton Seconded by Mr Tomlinson that the Treasurer pay to the Trustees of Union School Section No 1 the sum which was Assessed on the Wild land in that section for school purposes in the year 1852 amount £2<sup>10</sup> 6<sup>4</sup>

Moved by Mr Sprague Seconded by Mr Morton that Joseph Harman be appointed Overseer for Division No 14 in place of Andrew Sweet who has removed out of said Division.

The Reeve gave an order to, Richard Sheppard, Township Clerk for services rendered as one of the Selectors of jurors for the present year 1854 Amount £<sup>15</sup> "

The Reeve gave an order to the Members of the Court of Revision for Five Shillings each for their services amount £1<sup>5</sup> "

Moved by Mr Sprague Seconded by Mr Morton that the Bill of Samuel Trelbar for repairing Road Scrapers for the use of this Township be accepted and that the Reeve give an order for the same amount £<sup>8</sup> 6

Moved by Mr. Morton seconded by Mr. Sprague that the following be the Salary for Township Officers for the present year viz:

|                        |                   |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| To the Township Clerk, | £ 10 " 10 " "     |
| To the Treasurer,      | 5 " 00 " 0        |
| To the Collector       | 5 " 00 " 0        |
| To the Assessor        | <u>4 " 10 " 0</u> |
| Total Amount           | £ 27 " 0 " 0      |

Moved by Mr. Morton seconded by Mr. Sprague that this Meeting do now adjourn to Winam Moves on Saturday the 4<sup>th</sup> day of November 1854

David Sprague J R

### Seventh Meeting

Saturday Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> 1854

The Council met pursuant to adjournment the Reeve in the Chair Minutes of the last Meeting read Names called over present Messrs, Sprague Junr, Sprague Sen, Bannerman, Morton, and Tomlinson, 5

The Reeve gave orders to the following persons for work done on the Roads viz. To Wm, E. S. Corbett for Four pounds To Henry Jewell for one pound, To Jacob Draper for two pounds To Joseph Harman for Ten shillings and to Calvin Ames for two pounds; Total £ 9 " 10

Moved by Mr. Sprague seconded by Mr. Bannerman that the time for expending Money on the Roads in this Township in the present year be extended to the fifteenth of December in place of the first of November as previously ordered,

Moved by Mr. Sprague seconded by Mr. Tomlinson that there be thirty pounds expended on the Roads in this Township in the present year, out of the direct Taxes that has been collected in the present year, and that it be distributed as follows Six in Ward No 1 six pounds, in Ward No 2 - Six pounds, in Ward No 3 Six pounds, in Ward No 4 six pounds, and in Ward No 5 six pounds, And that the several Councillors representing each Ward shall have the power to appoint Commissioners, or to let it by Contract as they think best to lay out the same; The said money to be expended between the Fourth day of November and the Fifteenth day of December 1854,

Moved by Mr. Sprague seconded by Mr. Merton that all fines collected in this Township shall be expended in the Ward in which they are collected, under the Superintendance of the Councillor representing said Ward.

Moved by Mr. Merton seconded by Mr. Sprague that the Clerk be authorized to post up three Copies of the Receipts and Expenditure of this Township for the year 1853, and that he post one at H. Moores. one at Dughill and one at John Mertons school house, and that he receive Five shillings for each Copy

Moved by Mr. Hannerman seconded by Mr. Tomlinson that this Meeting do now adjourn to H. Moores on Saturday the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of December 1854

Frederic Sprague

# Eighth Meeting

Saturday December 23<sup>rd</sup> 1854

The Council met pursuant to adjournment the Record in the Chair Minutes of the last meeting read names called over present Messrs Sprague jr Sprague Sen Barronman Master and Tomlinson 5

The Reeve gave orders to the following persons for work done on the Roads viz,

|  | £  | s  | d  |
|--|----|----|----|
| To Rufus Payson for  | 2  | 10 | "  |
| To Stephen Mann for  | 6  | "  | "  |
| To Edward Smith "  | 2  | "  | "  |
| To John Barker "   | 3  | 10 | "  |
| To William Henry "   | 5  | "  | "  |
| To William Bache "   | 1  | 10 | "  |
| To George Hamsey "   | 2  | "  | "  |
| To Darius Norton "   | 3  | 10 | "  |
| To Edward Smith "  | 2  | "  | "  |
| To Thomas Sennett "  | 1  | 10 | "  |
| To George Hains "  | 1  | "  | "  |
|  | 30 | 10 | "  |
| Also to the Trustees of George Williams Blind Manuf  | 9  | "  | "  |
| To Henry Draper for services rendered as Treasurer   | 5  | "  | "  |
| To Thomas Williams for services rendered as Collector  | 5  | "  | "  |
| To David Sprague jr for services rendered as Township Reeve  | 2  | "  | "  |
| To David Sprague Sen for services rendered as Township Council   | 2  | "  | "  |
| To David Barronman for " " " " "   | 1  | 15 | "  |
| To John Norton for " " " " "   | 2  | "  | "  |
| To George Tomlinson for " " " " "  | 1  | 15 | "  |
| To Richard Sheppard for services rendered T. Clerk   | 10 | 10 | "  |
| To Richard Sheppard for advertising the Receipts and Expentiture of this Township for the year 1853                          | "  | 15 | "  |
| To Stephen Mann Joel Draper and George Mossingthe the sum of ten shillings each for services as T. Inspectors                | 1  | 10 | "  |
| To John Balsey for £1/10 for services as Assessor and 5 <sup>s</sup> for services rendered as one of the selectors of jurors | 6  | 15 | "  |
| To David Sprague P. Master for Postage for use of Township   | "  | 9  | 10 |
| Total Amount   | 72 | 9  | 10 |

Moved by Mr. Morton seconded by Mr. Sprague that  
that the Clerk be authorized to insert Lot No. in the  
Lake Concession on the Collectors Roll and to charge it  
to James Cameron at the same valuation of last year  
as the Assessor omitted assessing said Lot this year, and  
the said James Cameron wishes it done this way so  
as to pay his Taxes in the Township. Carried

Moved by Mr. Sprague seconded by Mr. Barronman that  
that the time for expending money on the Roads be extended  
to the 12<sup>th</sup> of January 1855 in place of the 15<sup>th</sup> of December  
1854 as previously ordered.

Moved by Mr. Morton seconded by Mr. Tomlinson that  
the Clerk be allowed ten shillings for stationery

Moved by Mr. Morton seconded by Mr. Barronman  
that the Treasurer be allowed to take the two and one  
half per cent for his services instead of the 5<sup>th</sup> granted  
to him before.

Moved by Mr. Barronman seconded by Mr. Morton that  
this meeting do now adjourn to John Mortons Schoolhouse  
on Saturday the 13<sup>th</sup> day of January 1855

### Sixth Meeting

Saturday Jan 13<sup>th</sup> / 1855

The Council met pursuant to adjournment, present  
the Scribe and Mr. Barronman. 2

The Scribe then Adjourned the Meeting sine Die  
for want of a Quorum.

At the Annual Township Election held in the  
 different Wards in this Township on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 days of January 1855, the following persons were duly  
 Elected to serve as Councillors, and Inspectors of Houses  
 of public Entertainment for the present year 1855,

| To be Councillors |                         | Inspectors      |
|-------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| For Ward No 1     | David Sprague jr        | John Prosser    |
| " " " 2           | David Sprague sr        | Allen Citterden |
| " " " 3           | Friend Morton           | Silas Morton    |
| " " " 4           | John Morton             | Thomas Huntley  |
| " " " 5           | Thomas <del>lover</del> | John Newbourn   |