

March 30th 1870.

The Commissioners met at 8 o'clock P.M.
at the residence of H.B. Guthrie, M.P.
Present:

H.B. Guthrie, M.P.
J. Pool
J. F. Craig $\frac{3}{3}$ Comrs.
Green Brewer $\frac{3}{3}$
J. J. Riggster, Treas.

In having come to the knowledge of
the Board that certain citizens of the village,
viz: J.R. Hutchins, J.W. Watson, J.W. Newton,
J.F. Freeland and D. McCauley were
claiming to be the Municipal Officers of
the village, that they had obtained possession
of some of the books & papers, and had ap-
pointed Mr A. Middle, as Magistrate of
Police: On motion ~~&~~ Mr Pool was appointed
to see the aforesaid Gentlemen and in-
form them, that they were acting without
authority of law; to advise them to return
such books and papers of the Board,
as they were holding, and to warn them
that their course was subjecting them
to the liability of a suit under the laws
of the State.

Ordered that the Clerk give public
Notice to the citizens of the village by one or
more posters set up in public places, that
all persons in the Corporation who were liable
to tax upon polls and property, should return
them to H.B. Guthrie, M.P. at his office on or
before the first day of April next. and that
a failure to do so would lay them liable
to double tax.

On motion, the Board adjourned
James F. Craig
Clerk, pro tem.
By James B. Mason
Clerk

The Bd. Commissioners of the village of Chapel
Hill, met pursuant to a agreement, the
1st day of April, A.D. 1870.
Present:

H.B. Guthrie, M.P.
Solomon Pool
James F. Craig $\frac{3}{3}$
Thomas Kelly $\frac{3}{3}$ Comrs.
Greene Brewer $\frac{3}{3}$

Report of Committee:

Gentlemen of the Bd. of Commissioners,

Having been appointed
at your last meeting to confer with Messrs
A. Middle & others who claim to be the Municipal
Officers of Chapel Hill, I have the honor to
report:

That I conferred with Messrs A. Middle, J.H.
Watson and J. F. Freeland. I failed to see Messrs
D. McCauley, J. R. Hutchins and J. W. Newton. I
understood from Mr Middle that the election
at which these gentlemen claim to have been
elected, was held without their having had a copy
of any Act or Law authorizing it; and that
the proceedings were had under informal
notice from Mr J. M. Argos that such an election
should be held. In compliance with your
order I warned them to desist at once from
the effort to exercise the functions of the officers
of the town and that should they persist they would
be liable to prosecution by the laws of the
State. I am of opinion that they acted maliciously
& that they desist and deliver up the books &
papers belonging to this Board, advise that
no action against them be begun.

Respectfully Submitted
S. Pool.
Com.

On motion the report was adopted.