

March 30th 1870.

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

Present:

- H.B. Guntens, M.P.
- J. Pool
- J.F. Craig Comr.
- Green Brewer Comr.
- J.J. Riggs, Treas.

It having come to the knowledge of the Board that certain citizens of the village, viz: J.R. Hutchins, Geo H. Watson, J.W. Newton, J.F. Freelant 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 appointed Mr A. Middle, as Magistrate of Police; On motion of Mr Pool was appointed to see the aforesaid gentlemen and inform 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 fine 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. Guntens, M.P. at his office on or before the first day of April prox. and that a failure to do so, would lay them liable to double tax.

On motion, The Board Adjourned
 James F. Craig
 Clk. pro tem.
 By James B. Masad
 Clk

The Bd. Commissioners of the village of Chapel Hill, met pursuant to adjournment, this 1st day of April, A.D. 1870.

Present:

- H.B. Guntens, M.P.
- Solomon Pool
- James F. Craig Comr.
- Thomas Birtley Comr.
- Greene Brewer

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. Freelant. I failed to see Messrs D. McCauley, J. F. 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. Argo 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 unadvisedly & should they desist and deliver up the books & papers belonging to this Board, advise that no action against them be begun.

Respectfully Submitted
 J. Pool.

Comr.

On motion the report was adopted.

On motion of Solomon Pool it was ordered that a tax of twenty (20c) cents on the hundred dollars of real property and sixty (60c.) cents on the poll be laid; and that the assessed valuation of real property of last year be the assessed valuation for this year.

On motion of Green Brewer it was ordered that Henry Jones, a former Constable of this Board be notified to return the books and papers relative taxes, in his charge on possession.

Ruffin Chase was elected Town Constable
On motion the Bd. adjourned to meet Monday night next 4th Apr. 1870.

James B. Mason,
Town Clerk.

The Bd. of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on the 4th Apr. 1870.

Present:

H. B. Gentry, M.P.
Solomon Pool }
James F. Craig } Com.
Green Brewer }

On motion, after the consideration of many subjects pertaining to the duties of the Commission, the Bd. adjourned to meet on Monday 11th of Apr. 1870.

James B. Mason
Town Clerk

The Bd. Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment, the 11th day of April, A.D. 1870.

Present:

H. B. Gentry, M.P.
Solomon Pool }
James F. Craig } Com.
Green Brewer }

On motion, it was ordered that the Clerk give notice that the time for returning polls and property be extended to the 21st April instant and that S. W. Woods be authorized to receive said returns of the polls & property.

On motion, it was ordered that Solomon Pool, James F. Craig, Green Brewer and James B. Mason be a Committee to look into the condition of the streets & pumps, and report at the next meeting.

On motion, the Bd. adjourned to meet on the 22nd April, 1870.

James B. Mason
Town Clerk