

SKILLIN ROAD

Length: 4,797' (.91)

Width: 22'

BENJAMIN SKILLIN ROAD

May 11, 1801

Beginning on the westerly side of a town road known by the name of Tuttle Road (now known as Blanchard Road west of Main Street), at the place where said Tuttle Road crosses the dividing line between hundred acre Lots No. 78 and 79. Thence running south 45 degrees west until it comes to the most southerly corner of said Lot 79. Thence running north 87 degrees west 20 rods. Thence north 77 degrees, 26 rods. Thence south 61½ degrees west 94 rods. Thence north 89 degrees west 144 rods, or until it enters into the county road (Old Gray Road) leading from New Gloucester to Portland. Said road is allowed to be three rods in width, lying on the most northerly side of the above given courses, a plan of which may be seen underneath, together with the hundred aced lots it lays upon.

Damages to Sylvanus Drinkwater, five dollars.  
James Prince, David True - Selectmen  
Recorded by Levi Cutter

June 1, 1801

Town Meeting Voted that the report of the Selectmen for Benjamin Skillin Road be accepted and recorded.

May 23, 1825

Town Meeting Voted to accept the report of the Selectmen altering a town road as follows, viz:

Beginning in the middle of the old road near the south corner of Lot No. 79 running north 17 degrees west 30 rods; thence south 68 degrees west 18 rods; thence south 62 degrees west 70 rods in the old road; thence south 78 degrees west 22 rods; thence south 86 degrees west 140 rods to the middle of the County Road leading to Portland (Old Gray Road).

February 28, 1921

Warrant, 47th Article: To see if the Town will raise \$150. to build the road leading from the Gray Road to the Blackstrap Road, commonly called the Skillins Road.

March 8, 1921

Town Meeting Voted to dismiss Article 47.

March 6, 1928

Town Meeting Voted to raise the appropriate the sum of \$300. to widen the repair the Skillins Road from Lewiston Interurban (New Gray Road) to the Old Gray Road.

March 5, 1929

Town Meeting Voted to raise \$300. to repair and drain the road near Mr. Hersey's residence on the Skillins Road.

January 5, 1940.

On the petition of Cumberland Municipal officers, County Commissioners order redefinition of Skillin Road from Gray Road near the Gray Road Inn to Blanchard Road, 49.50 feet wide. (See County Commissioner's Records, Vol. 20, p. 249; also Plan Book 5, p. 57; also County Commissioner's docket no. 683.)

1940 Annual Report

Road Commissioner reported a piece of State Aid No. 4 that starts at Gray Road and comes towards Wilson's Mill tarred.

1941 Annual Report

Road Commissioner reported Wilson's Mill bridge rebuilt.

1947 Annual Report

Road Commissioner reported State Aid construction of Skillin Road continued by straightening the base, surfacing and applying tar. A piece of special resolve was built on the old road.

1948 Annual Report

Road Commissioner reported State Aid construction continued by straightening the base, surfacing and applying tar.

1949 Annual Report

Road Commissioner reported new road cut to straighten Skillin Road construction -- based, surfaced and tarred.

1950 Annual Report

Road Commissioner reported State Aid construction completed to the Fair Grounds.

1968 Annual Report

Road Commissioner reported bridge rebuilt.

March 7, 1969

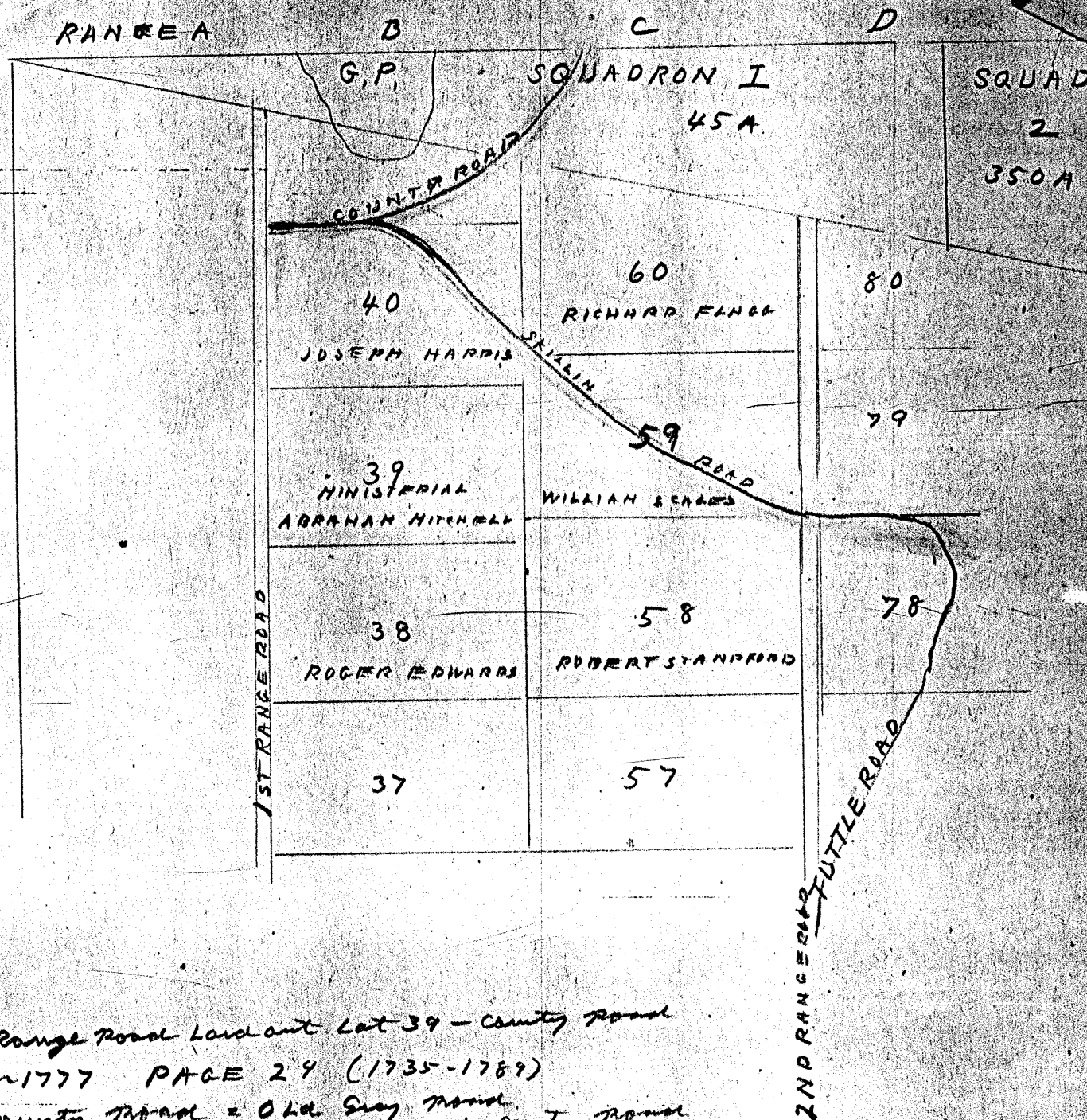
Town Meeting Voted money needed to complete Wilson Mill bridge on Skillin Road (Article 25).

March 6, 1970

Town Meeting Voted money for Wilson Mill bridge (Article 26).

1970 Annual Report

Selectmen reported Wilson Mill bridge complete, that the State will maintain, and approaches widened and straightened.



Range Road Laid out Lot 39 - County Road  
in 1777 PAGE 24 (1735-1789)

County Road = Old Gray Road.  
Shillin Road. Tuttle Road to County Road  
in 1801 Page 14 (1791-1821)

Shortest Distance New Gloucester - Portland  
as late as 1818 County Records Book 8 Page 1  
No record of new Gray road till after 1825  
Shillin road as laid out checks corners and  
distances with present road

Declination approx. 80 to West since 1801

Harlan Sweater 4/11

REFERENCE TO SKILLIN ROAD AS TAKEN FROM NORTH YARMOUTH RECORDS.

North Yarmouth, June 1, 1801.

Voted The report of the Selectmen for Benjamin Skillin Road be accepted and recorded.

To the inhabitants of the town of North Yarmouth in Town Meeting assembled - Gentlemen -

We beg leave to report as follows -  
At the request of a number of the inhabitants of said town, we the subscribers, have laid out a town road in the west part of the town, which is bounded as follows - Beginning on the westerly side of a town road known by the name of Tuttle Road, at the place where said Tuttle Road crosses the dividing line between hundred Acre Lots Nos. 78 and 79 - Thence running S. 45 degs. West, until it comes to the most southerly corner of said Lot No. 79. Thence running N. 87 degrees W. 20 rods. Thence N. 77 degs. 26 rods. Thence S. 61½ degs. W. 94 rods. Thence N. 89 degs. W. 144 rods, or until it enters into the County road leading from New Gloucester to Portland.

Said road is allowed to be three rods in width, lying on the most northerly side of the above given courses - a plan of which may be seen underneath, together with the hundred acre Lots it lays upon -

We have also viewed the range way from the most southerly corner of said Lot No. 79 as far down as John Pride's land he now lives on and are of opinion that it should be opened as far as fifty-two rods southeast from the last mentioned corner, - in order to way out John Pride into the road above laid out, as there is no other way he can conveniently be wayed out.

All which is humbly submitted

North Yarmouth, May 11, 1801.

James Prince  
David True, Selectmen.

Damages to Sylvanus Drinkwater  
Five dollars.

Recorded by Levi Cutter from the original files agreeable to a vote of the town January 30, 1804.

(See page 237, Vol. 2 of copy.)

The foregoing is a copy taken from page 14, Road Records,  
North Yarmouth, 1791 - 1821.

*Looked up by  
Harlan Sweetser*

*4/24/37*