

BROOK ROAD

LENGTH: 964' (.19)

WIDTH: 16'

Brook Road AKA: (Jones' Road, Decoster's Road)

March 3, 1854

Warrant, 17th Article: To hear the report of the Selectmen relative to laying out a road near Lewis Merrill's and act thereon.

March 20, 1854

Town Meeting Voted to dismiss the 17th Article relative to the request of Lewis Merrill and others for laying out a road.

August 11, 1860

The Subscribers, Selectmen of Cumberland, upon the application of Axel Decoster and others, to lay out a way or road in said Town beginning at a point on the Harris Road (so called) over Jeriah Harris land to the farm of Axel Decosters, having given seven days notice of our intentions to lay out the same and stated in said notice the termini, thereof, by posting said notice in three public places in said Town and in the vicinity of the proposed rout, to wit one in the outer door of the town house, one on the schoolhouse School District No. 2 and one on a board on said Harris Road, in said town, on the second day of August 1860 and having met at the time and place appointed for that purpose and having personally examined the rout proposed, are of the opinion that there is occasion for a way or road for the use of said Decoster; we therefore lay out said way or road as follows:

Beginning on the division line of Jeriah Harris and Axel Decosters land nine rods S.W. from the east corner of said Decosters land. Thence S. 43 E 41 Rods to the cross road called Harris Road. The above courses and distances taken upon the N.E. side line of said way or road, and said way or road to be two roads wide. We lay out the above way or road as a private way or road for the use of said Axel Decoster subject to not less than four gates or bars, said Decoster to make and keep the gates or bars in good repair. And we award Jeriah Harris fifty dollars for the land taken for said way or road to be paid by the town on or before the first day of November next. The above laying out, with the boundaries and admeasurements have been filed with the Town Clerk on the eleventh day of August instant, being seven days before this meeting and we now hereby report such laying out with the boundaries and admeasurements of the same to the Town at a meeting of the inhabitants regularly warned and notified, for them to accept and allow the same.

J. M. Rideout, Wm L. Prince - Selectmen  
Attest, D.R. Allen, Town Clerk

August 20, 1860

Warrant, 2nd Article: To hear the request of Alex Decoster and others and to see if the town will accept the doings of the Selectmen in laying out a road on the way across Jeriah Harris' land for the use of Alex Decoster and pay the land damage.

September 10, 1860

Town Meeting Voted that the town accept the doings of the Selectmen in laying out a private way for Alex Decoster for the said Decoster his heirs and assigns to make the road and keep the same in repair and that they authorize the Selectmen to open the road.

March 28, 1862

Warrant, 2nd Article: To hear the report of the doings of the Selectmen in laying out a road near Alex Decoster's house across Jeriah Harris' land to the Harris Road, so called, and act thereon.

April 12, 1862

Town Meeting Voted not to accept the report of the Selectmen laying out a road through Jeriah Harris' land.

Also voted the Clerk be instructed to amend the records in regards to the laying out of a private way through Jeriah Harris' land.

November 6, 1863

The subscribers, Selectmen of Cumberland, upon the application of James Sanborn and others to lay out a town way in said town beginning at a point near Axel DeCoster's house, thence across land owned by Jeriah Harris and ending at the Harris Road. Having given seven days notice of our intentions to lay out the same, stated in said notice the termini thereof by posting said notices in two public places in said Town, and in the vicinity of the proposed route, to wit, at the Depot of the K. and P.R. Road and upon the fence on the Harris Road so called in said town, also, a notice at Charles Poland's Store in said town on the 29th day of Oct. last, and having met at the time and place appointed for that purpose and having personally examined the route proposed, are of the opinion that there is occasion for a town way for the use of said town, as proposed; we therefore lay out said way as follows; beginning at a point 10 rods from the east corner of Axel Decoster's land upon the south east sideline of said Decoster's land. Thence running S 43 E 43 through land of Jeriah Harris to the Harris Road so called; the line described to be the middle of the highway, and the highway to be 3 rods wide, and we award to the said Jeriah Harris for his damage \$120.30 to be paid by said town before

the road is opened, and we allow said Harris 15 days to remove his fence from said land; which such laying out with the boundaries and admeasurements have been filed with the Town Clerk on the 6th day of November inst. being seven days before this meeting; and we now hereby report such laying out with the boundaries and admeasurements of the same town at the meeting of the inhabitants regularly warned and notified to accept and allow the same.

Robert Dyer, Asa Greely - Selectmen  
Attest, D.R. Allen, Town Clerk

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November 7, 1863

Warrant, 2nd Article: To see if the town will accept a report of the Selectmen relative to laying out a town way near Axel Decoster's and act thereon.

November 14, 1863

Town Meeting voted to accept the report of the Selectmen in laying out a town way through Jeriah Harris' land to the Harris Road, so-called.

Also voted to instruct the Selectmen to consult legal authority relative to the legality of their doings before the road is opened and if said council shall pronounce their doings all right, then they may open said road.

February 20, 1864

Warrant, 13th Article: To hear the request of Jeriah Harris to see if the town will vote to discontinue the town way leading from the premises of Axel Decoster through land of Jeriah Harris to the Harris Road, so-called, which was laid out or attempted to be laid out during the year 1863 on petition of James Sanborn and others.

March 1, 1864

Town Meeting voted to discontinued the road leading from Axel Decoster's to the Harris Road, so called, which was laid out in November, 1862, Jeriah Harris relinquishing all claims for damage as awarded by the Town.

February 20, 1885

Warrant, 10th Article: To see if the town will accept the road as laid out by the selectmen from E. S. W. Jones' land to the Harris Road.

March 2, 1885

Town Meeting Voted to dismiss the 10th Article.

February 20, 1886

Warrant, 13th Article: To see if the town will accept the road as laid out by the Selectmen from E.S.W. Jones' land to the Harris Road.

March 1, 1886

Town Meeting Voted to accept the road as laid out by the Selectmen from E.S.W. Jones' land to the Harris Road.

March 20, 1886

notice is hereby given that it is the intention of the selectmen of the Town of Cumberland, upon the application of E.W.S. Jones and others to lay out a town way in said town, for the use of said town, beginning at the farm of E.S.W. Jones, and ending at the Harris Road, "so called", in said Town, (the same to be run by the house of John F. Holme, and by the route now traveled by J.F. Holme) and that they will meet for said purpose on the twenty seventh (27th) day of March instant, at the house of E.S.W. Jones in said town, at one o'clock in the afternoon; and all persons interested therein will govern themselves accordingly.

E.D. Merrill, D.L. Blanchard- Selectmen  
(original document)

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March 27, 1886

The subscribers, Selectmen of Cumberland, upon the application of E.S.W. Jones and others to lay out a town road in said town, beginning at the farm of E.S.W. Jones and ending at the Harris Road "so called" in said town, the same to be run by the house of Jon F. Holme, and by the route now traveled by J.F. Holme, having given seven days notice of our intentions to lay out the same and stated in said notice the termini thereof by posting said notice in two public places in said town and in the vicinity of the proposed route, to wit: at the post office at Cumberland Center and at the store of John E. Dunn and also on the fence near the proposed route in said town on the 20th day of March A.D. 1886, and having met at the time and place appointed for that purpose and having personally examined the route proposed are of opinion that there is occasion for a new town way for the use of said town as proposed. We therefore lay out said road as follows:

Beginning at a point north 62 west ten feet from the north east corner of said Jones' land, and on the line of land known as the Jeriah Harris Farm, and running north 55 1/2 east 15 rods and 16 links to a point. This point is 41 feet from the pump and 94 feet from end of house and the line is 14 feet from the pump, thence north 75 1/2 east (in the center between two rows of Elm trees, the rows being 20 feet apart) 41 rods 15 links to the Harris Road. Both lines being in the said Harris farm. The road to be one rod on each side of the line, and the line described to be the middle of the highway. And we agree with the said John F. Holme over whose land the road passes to pay him forty five dollars for damages to be paid by the town before the road is open, and we allow the said John F. Holme two months from this date to remove any fence or wood standing on the premises described; such laying out the boundaries and admeasurements has been filed with the Town Clerk on the 27th day of March A.D. 1886, being seven days before this meeting, and we now hereby report such laying out, with the boundaries and admeasurements of the same to said town at the meeting of the inhabitants regularly warned and notified, for them to accept and allow the same.

Edmond D. Merrill, D.L. Blanchard - Selectmen  
(original document)

March 27, 1886

Warrant, 2nd Article: To see if the town will vote to accept the road as laid out by the Selectmen March 27th, 1886, the same being from E.S>W. Jones' farm to the Harris Road and by John F. Holmes' house.

Warrant, 3rd Article: To see if the town will vote to discontinue the road as accepted at the annual meeting held March 1st, 1886.

April 5, 1886

Town Meeting Voted to accept the road as laid out by the Selectmen March 27th A.D. 1886 from E.S.W. Jones' farm to the Harris Road by John F. Holme's house.

Town Meeting voted to discontinue the road as laid out and accepted at the annual meeting held March 1st, 1886.