

No. 18, May Term, 1889

Petition for Public Bridge
across Clearfield Creek.

Versus

Beecreek Township

Contents:

In the Court of Quarter Sessions of Clearfield
County.

To the Honorable David L. Krebs, President Judge of
said Court

The petition of the undersigned citizens
of the Township of Beccaria, in said County, respectfully
sheweth: - That the public bridge over Clearfield
Creek at a point where the public road leading from
the village of Blaine City to Rose Bud in said Township
crosses said Creek, has been carried away by the
recent extraordinary freshet. That a bridge at or
near the above point is a public necessity and the
expense of erecting the said bridge is greater than
can be reasonably borne by the said Township.

Your petitioners would therefore pray the
Court to appoint proper persons to view the premises
and report to the Court as to the necessity for a bridge
and the location thereof; and also as to the necessity for
an appropriation by the County in accordance with the
provision of the Act of Assembly approved April 16th
A.D. 1870, and they will ever pray &c.

Wm. Anthony

James Suckler

Al. Brown

Joe. Rhoady

Wm. Miller

John J. Johnson

A. J. Barber

J W Shreve

Samuel Smith

W Kimble

Henry Shrock

Frank Kuebler

E Shively

George Berger

Nathan Berger

R. S. Lydick

E. J. Conrad

John W. Cord

Lewis Britanbaugh

Adam Dalt

Jonas Freeman

John L. Lipton

W. O. Lipton

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J. B. Lydick

Thomas Steel

W. F. Lydick

John E. Mathews

James W. Spangle

W. F. Lydick

Samuel R. Lipton

Urban Roberts

Wm. J. Lipton

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John B. B. B.

A. S. Lipton

Robert J. Lipton

S. J. Lipton

	W. L. Miller
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2	Henry Christler
3	W. S. Brady
4	Geo. Buntman
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Hon D. L. Krebs

Judge of Court of Quarter Sessions

In the matter of petition
for Appropriation from the
County for a Public Bridge
over Clearford Creek
between the town of Rosbad
& Plant City in Pecunia Twp.
We the undersigned Jurors
would recommend the
Appropriation of the Sum (\$3946.)
Thirty Nine Hundred & Seventy
Six Dollars. amount
asked for by County Commis-
sioner

Robt R. Herington
Foreman

approved,

By the Court, Doro L. Krebs, C.J.

In the Court of Quarter Sessions of Clearfield
County.

In the matter of petition for appropriation
from the County for a public bridge over
Clearfield Creek where the public road leading
from Blain City to Rose Bud crosses said
Creek in the Township of Beccaria.

James Hopkins, one of the super-
visors of the said Township of Beccaria, being
duly sworn according to law doth depose
and say, that the County Commissioners of
said County had erected, at one time, a bridge
over Clearfield Creek at or near the point where
above bridge is desired, and for many years
and up to the first day of June A. D. 1889
the said bridge was kept in repair by the
said Commissioners and maintained as a Coun-
ty bridge. On said last mentioned date the
said bridge was swept away by a freshet.

The Commissioners of said County were
then requested by said deponent to rebuild the
said bridge, and would likely so have done
without delay but that an examination of
the records of said Court failed to show any
authority in the former Commissioners to build
said bridge or keep the same in repair.

In view however, of the fact of the former bridge

being kept for many years as a County bridge, your deponent is informed and verily believes that the County is liable for the cost of rebuilding the same. In view of this fact last mentioned and the great necessity of the case, the supervisor of said Township, after the filing of the report of viewers appointed by the said Court, gave due and ample notice of a time and place for receiving bids for the construction of the stone work for said bridge and did on the day of August A.D. 1889 give the contract for the erection of the stone work aforesaid according to plans furnished by the County Commissioners through their Civil Engineer, to James W. Spangler of said Township, (he being the lowest and best bidder) for the sum of Seventeen Hundred and Forty (\$1740⁰⁰) dollars and bound the said Spangler, by good and sufficient bond, for the faithful performance of said Contract.

And further that the said supervisors have ~~just~~ entered into a contract with one Buchanan agent of the Pittsburg Bridge Company, for the erection of an iron bridge at said point for the price of Twenty-four (24) dollars per linear foot, amounting to Twenty-nine Hundred and Seventy-six (\$2976⁰⁰); which said contract has been approved by the Commissioners of said County and their Civil Engineer.

Further that the cost of filling the approaches to said bridge will be from Two Hundred dollars to Three Hundred dollars making the bridge cost in full the sum of Four Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-six (\$4966) dollars.

By reason of the recent floods the said Township has been put to further great expense, and your department believes that that County should appropriate, in view of this fact, the whole or a greater part of the cost of the present proposed bridge, and further saith not

James Hopkins

Sworn and subscribed before me this
3rd day of August A.D. 1889

N. S. Stevens

Seal

Justice of the Peace

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In the Matter of Petition
for public Bridge over
Clearfield Creek in
Pecosur Township

Supplemental Statement

Bulger

Clearfield County SS

At a Court of Quarter
Sessions of the Peace of the County of Clearfield
held at Clearfield Pa in and for said County
on the 13th day of July A.D. 1889 before the Hon^{ble}
Judge of said Court upon the petition of
Sundry inhabitants of the Township of
Beecreek in said County representing
that the public bridge over Clearfield Creek
at a point where the public road leading
from the Village of Blain City to Rosebud
in said Township crosses said Creek has
been carried away by the recent freshet
that a bridge at or near the above point
is a public necessity, and that the
Expense of erecting the same bridge is
greater than can be reasonably borne
by the said Township. And therefore pray
the Court to appoint proper persons
to View the premises and to take such
Order on the subject as is required and
directed by the Act of Assembly in
such cases made and provided

Whereupon the Court upon due Consider-
ation had of the premises do order and
appoint John B. Leightner J. Fry and
James Spangle Viewers who are to View
the same and make report at Sept Session
1889 held at Clearfield in and for said

County on the first Monday of September
1889 in which report they shall state that
they have been sworn or affirmed according
to law.

By the Court

Witness my hand & official seal

Secd this 2nd day of July

A.D. 1889

J.M. Blom
Clerk of Court

We, the subscribers, appointed to view the place proposed for a bridge, in the within order mentioned, after being severally sworn or affirmed, as within directed, report, that in our opinion, a bridge over Clearfield creek, at the place where the public highway from Blaine City to Rosebud crosses the said creek, is necessary, and that the erecting of such a bridge would be attended with more expense than it is reasonable the said Township should bear.

And.

we further report, that after examination, we are of the opinion, that a change or variation in the bed and route of the road, would be an improvement and saving of expense in the erection of said bridge and therefore report, that the route of the road be changed in the following manner. Beginning at a point on Locust street, opposite property of Daniel Dugan in Blaine City; thence North $73\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ West. three hundred and seven feet. to a point on Hill street in Rosebud. The distance across said creek being one hundred and seven feet and the height of the buttment on the West side of said creek being eighteen feet, from low water mark. We annex a draft. Witness our hands and seals this 17th day of July AD. 1889

John L. Lighten Seal
A. J. Fry Seal
Geo W. Sprangle Seal

Prov. Co. Receipts
 1 day Oct. 9th 1884 \$20.00
 1 day Nov. 10th 1884
 1 day (Camp 1884) 20.00
 5 meals (1884) 50.00
 3.00

No 187 May 28 1884

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Report filed 1830 and 1884
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\$22.25 paid by Jas. Hopkinson

Bulger