

No. 5 May Sessions, 1904

COMMONWEALTH

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Public Bridge

in

Beccaria & Gulick
Townships

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WILLIAM I. SWOODE,
DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

TO THE HONORABLE, THE JUDGE OF THE COURT OF QUARTER
SESSIONS OF THE PEACE IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CLEARFIELD:

The Petition of the undersigned inhabitants of the
Townships of Beccaria and Gulich, in the said County, re-
spectfully sheweth:

That a bridge is much wanted over Big Muddy Run at
the place where the public highway leading from Utahville
to Janesville, crosses the said Run, the said Big Muddy Run
being the dividing line between Beccaria and Gulich Townships;
the said bridge now erected having become old and worthless
and dangerous;

That the expense of erecting said bridge would be
too heavy and burdensome on the inhabitants of the said
Township to bear.

Your Petitioners therefore pray the Court to
appoint proper persons to view the premises and to take such
order on the subject as is required, as directed by the Act
of Assembly in such case made and provided. And they will
ever pray.

Citizens of the Township of Beccaria

<i>J. L. Root</i>	<i>S. C. Davis</i>
<i>H. L. Root</i>	<i>H. L. Root</i>
<i>H. L. Root</i>	<i>Edwards Davis</i>
<i>See also S. L. Root</i>	<i>J. L. Root</i>
<i>S. L. Root</i>	<i>J. L. Root</i>
<i>R. P. Root</i>	<i>J. L. Root</i>

L. W. Miller
J. J. Miller
W. J. Miller
D. H. Miller
E. C. Smith
C. H. Miller
L. M. Miller
B. J. Miller
J. E. Miller
Edgar Miller
J. E. Miller

Frank Smith
Agnes Lundy
H. W. Davis
Thos. Lundy
Edward Davis
Daniel Wally
Bernard

Wm. Lundy
D. R. Lundy
W. J. Lundy
C. Blair Lundy
Charles Lundy
Jim Lundy
James Lundy
Stephen Lundy
Geo. W. Lundy

J. M. Robeson

Wm. Barry

Blake Newing.

Daniel Walt

Comad Walt

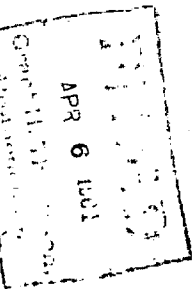
John Walt

May Term, 1904.

PETITION OF CITIZENS OF BECCA-
RIA AND GULICH TOWNSHIPS FOR
COUNTY BRIDGE.

Nov. M^{rs}. 5-1904
W.B. Greenfield N.H.
Kingsbury and W.B. Williams found
one sp. - female
Beavers present south
bridge and report
to May 18904
By Mr. Cramb.

By the Court
William A. Smith



Wheat 100 bushels

Clearfield County, ss:

At a Court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace of the county of Clearfield, Pennsylvania, held at Clearfield, in and for said county on the

6 day of April, A. D.

1904, before Judge of said Court, upon a petition of sundry inhabitants of the townships of Beccaria & Gulick in said

County, setting forth that a bridge is much

wanted over Big Muddy Run at the place where the public highway leading from Uthsville to Janesville crosses the said Run, the said Big Muddy Run being the dividing line between Beccaria and Gulick Twp & the said bridge now erected having become old and worthless and dangerous. That the expense of erecting said bridge would be too heavy and burdensome on the inhabitants of the said Twp to bear.

and therefore praying the Court to appoint proper persons to view and lay out the same according to law,

~~and to report to next term~~

whereupon the Court upon due consideration had of the premises, do order and appoint

C. B. Alexander, J. C. Hagerity and W. C. Longford

who after being respectively sworn or affirmed to perform their duties impartially and to the best of their judgment, are to view the place proposed for the said bridge, and if they or any two of them, view the same, and any two of the actual viewers agree that there is occasion for such a bridge, and that the erecting of the said bridge would require more expense than it would be reasonable the said townships should bear, they are to make report accordingly;

and a map or plot thereof to be made, which shall accompany said report; the report aforesaid to be made to the next term of the Court of Quarter Sessions to be held for the said county of Clearfield.

BY THE COURT.

Grant of Thompson

CLERK.

RELEASE OF DAMAGES.

Know All Men by These Presents, That we, the undersigned owners of lands upon which the bridge is located by the viewers, under the annexed order, passes for and in consideration of the sum of ONE DOLLAR to us respectively paid by the at and before the ensembling and delivery hereof, have remised, released and forever quit-claimed; and do hereby remise, release and forever quit-claim to the said all damages that may arise to us respectively by reason of the location or building of said bridge, so that neither we nor any of us, nor any person claiming under us, can or may hereafter ask, sue for, demand, have or receive any damages for injuries arising or growing out of the location or building of said bridge.

Witness our hands and seals this day of
A. D. 189.....

Seal

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ASSESSMENT OF DAMAGES.

The following persons, having refused to release the damages to which they respectively may be entitled by reason of the location and building of said bridge in the annexed return described, we, the undersigned viewers, under oath in pursuance of our duty, under the Act of Assembly, do assess their damages and make report thereof as follows:

To the sum of

To the sum of

To the sum of

Witness our hands this day of A. D. 189.....

Bridge Viewers' Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Viewers, appointed by the Court of Quarter Sessions of Clearfield county, Pennsylvania, to view a Bridge at *place where public road from Utahville to Janesville crosses Big Muddy Run the dividing line between Beccoria and Gulick Twp.*

in _____ Township, in the county aforesaid, will meet at said place on *Monday*, the *18* *th*. day of *April*, A. D. 1904, at 3 o'clock P. M., to attend to the duty assigned them, of which time and place aforesaid all parties interested will please take notice.

J. C. Hagerthy

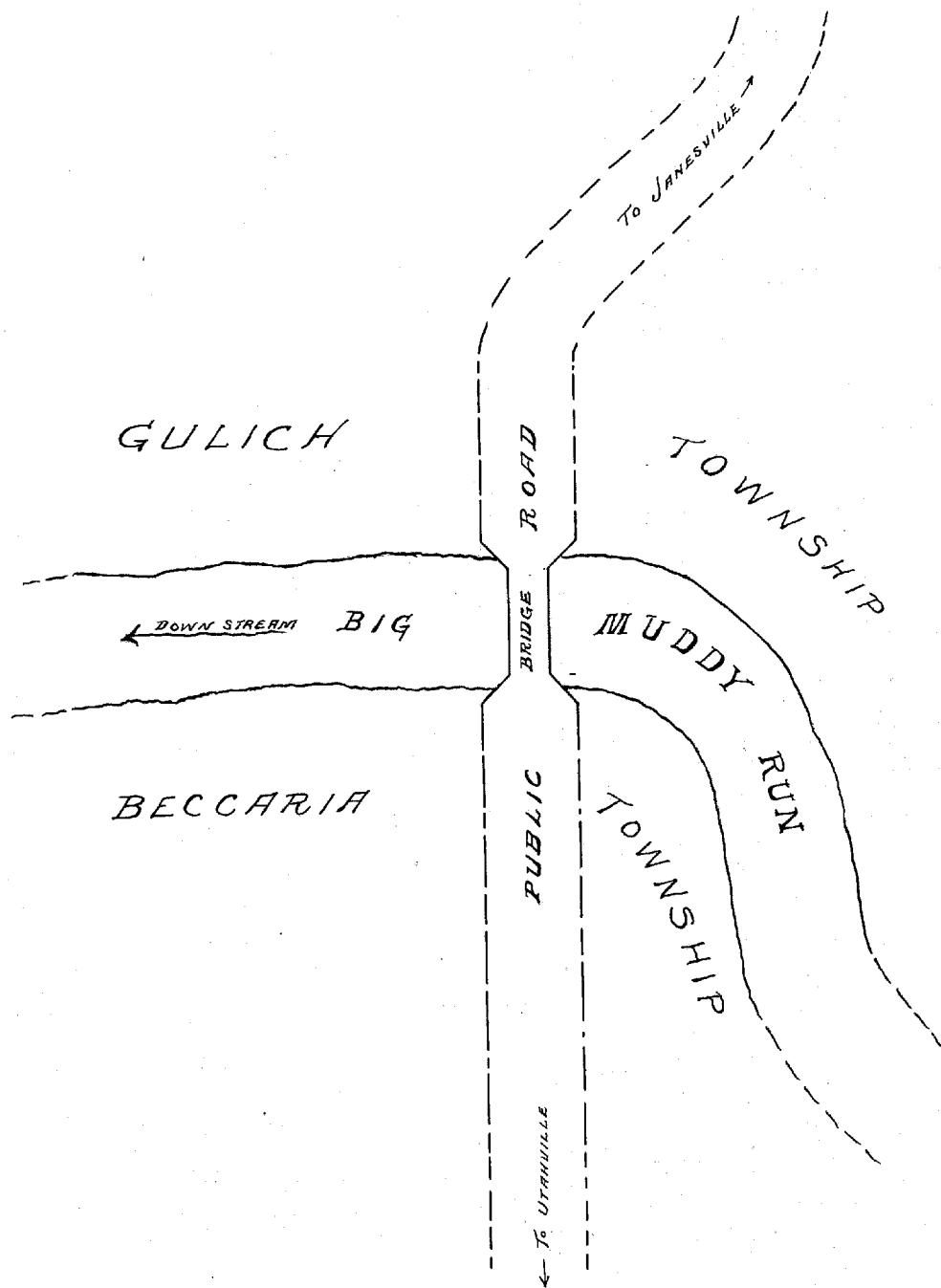
W. C. Langsford

C. B. Alexander

Viewers.

April 12, 1904.

Service accepted
Apr 12, 1904
A. T. Moore
C. M.



TO THE HONORABLE ALLISON O. SMITH, PRESIDENT JUDGE OF THE
COURT OF QUARTER SESSIONS OF CLEARFIELD COUNTY PENNSYLVANIA.

We the undersigned Viewers appointed by the within order of
Court to view for the bridge therein mentioned, respectfully report that
we gave good and lawful notice of said bridge view and met agreeable
thereto and having been severally sworn or affirmed, we viewed the ground
at sight proposed for said bridge and roads leading thereto and have
found that the wooden bridge now in use at this point is very much de-
cayed and broken down. We believe it is now unfit for travel and dan-
gerous. In our opinion a new bridge is needed at this point where Big and
Muddy Run interescts the public road from Janesville to Utahville, as
within named, and that the construction thereof would cost more than is
reasonable that the townships of Beccaria and Gulich should bear: We
therefore recommend that an iron bridge be placed at this point on
properly constructed abutments. Said bridge to have a span of thirty-two
(32) feet in the clear, and to be constructed at such a height as to
allow a clearance space of six and one-half (6 1/2) feet above low water
and further said bridge to have a roadway of fourteen (14) feet.

We further recommend that in the construction of this bridge
the within mentioned county of Clearfield supply the iron work or super-
structure and the erection thereof, and that the within mentioned town-
ships of Beccaria and Gulich construct the necessary abutments and pre-
pare the approaches.

A plot or draft showing the location of this bridge is here-
with attached.

WITNESS our hands this 20th. day of April A.D. 1904.

VIEWERS.

C. B. Alexander
J. C. Hegarty
W. B. Langford

NOTE: Viewers will carefully note the number of days employed, and set the same down in the column provided for that purpose. Reviewers cannot interfere with damages assessed by the original viewers, except so far as the location may be changed by the reviewers.

N. B.—If the viewers believe the parties are not entitled to damages taking into consideration the advantages as well as the disadvantages of the bridge, they will report to that effect.

Making expense of

~~623~~ ⁶²³ ~~Albany~~ ^{Albany} Days 32 Miles 38 1/4

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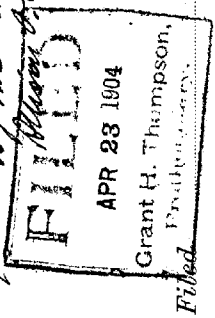
in

Beccaria Gulick
Twp

ORDER TO VIEW.

May 4th 1904 approved
and referred to Grand
Jury By the Court

By the Court
Mason B. Smith
Jr.



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Fees \$1.25, paid by

Wilson & Edwards
Attorney.

Now May 6 1904 we the Grand jury after due consideration of the report of viewers and hearing the testimonies do find that the bridge necessary and the building of the same too burdensome for the township of Beccaria and Gulick to bear we therefore recommend that the county build the superstructure and the township build the abutments

G. W. Bill
Foreman