

Plainfield Pound Timeline

July 25, 1785: Daniel White chosen as Field Driver at first town meeting for the District of Plainfield. *(a town officer especially in early New England authorized to round up and impound domestic farm animals roaming at large)*

Asa Joy and Azariah Beals chosen as Hog-Reeves. *(Colonial New England term for a person chartered with the prevention or appraising of damages by stray swine. In Mass., towns could vote to stop enforcement of the state law against letting swine run loose; many towns did so, leaving their hog reeves with nothing to do. As a result, it became a joke to elect a man hog reeve during the first year of his marriage.)*

March 13, 1786: Abraham Clark and Joseph Cook chosen as Hog-reeves.

March 12, 1787: Ephraim Gloyd, John Shaw, Jonathan Munroe, and Seth Ford chosen as Hog-reeves. Jonathan Monroe was later replaced by Capt. John Cunningham.

April 7, 1788: Daniel Streeter, Ebenezer Colson, Jr., William Daniel, and Samuel Prentt as Hog-reeves. "Voted not to allow the swine to run at large the ensuing year."

March 16, 1789: Ebenezer Bisbee and Simon Burroughs chosen as Hog-reeves. Joseph Joy was chosen as Field Driver.

Voted that the Log House Ichabod Pool[?] put up on Doct Solomon Bond's Land be made use of for a Pound for the District.

NOTE: Solomon Bond bought much of the northern area along 116 owned by Bruce Davis in 2020 on the SE corner of Central and Main Street. See Hampshire Deeds 2:310-311 for Bond buying land from Jonathan Munroe of Plainfield in 1788. Dr. Solomon Bond must have owned all of Lot 17. He sold in 1796 the side east of Central to Caleb Beals and the side West of Central to Moses Hallock. See Hampshire Deeds 17:125 and 17:201. Could find no information on Ichabod.

March 22, 1790: Jeremiah Stockwell chosen Field Driver. Joshua Shaw, Jr., Barnabus Packard, and Jonathan Munroe as Hog-Reeves.

Simon Burroughs, pound keeper.

Voted that horses and swine shall not run at large the ensuing year.

March 14, 1791: Azariah Beals and Jephthah Poole Field Drivers

Voted that the swine should not run at large the ensuing year.

March 12, 1792: Simon Burroughs Pound Keeper.

Isaac Joy, Jephthah Poole, and Amos Terrell Hog-Reeves and Field Drivers

March 11, 1793: Caleb White, Thomas Shaw, and George Perkins Hog-Reeves

Voted that Horses and Swine shall not go at large the ensuing year.

March 10, 1794: Caleb Beals pound keeper.

Doct Solomon Bond and Noah Packard Field Drivers, Peter B. Beals and Zibia White Har Reeves.

Voted that Horses and Swine shall not run at large the ensuing year.

March 9, 1795: Josiah Shaw Azariah Beals field Drivers.

Thos Pratt, David Whiton, Jacob Howes, Jr. chosen Hog-Reeves

Simon Burroughs Pound keeper

Voted that rams shall be confined from the tenth of September to first of Nov else a forfeiter for Rams not being confined agreeable to sd vote of one shilling for each Ram and double that Sum for every offence. Voted that swine shall go in the highways well yoked and ringed.

Voted to allow Ziba White three shillings for the making a gate for the pound

March 9, 1796: Voted that John Daniels, Nathan Barton, and Andrew Cook be Hog-Reeves. Sam'l Streeter Pound keeper.

Voted not to build a pound the present year.

Voted that swine shall not run at large the ensuing year.

March 13, 1797: Azariah Beals and Jacob Joy, Jr. Field drivers. Jonathan Perkins and Elijah Howes Hog-Reeves.

Samuel Streeter pound keeper.

Voted that Noah Packard, Samuel Streeter be a committee to look out a spot to build a pound and report at the meeting in April.

Voted that swine shall not run at large the ensuing year.

April 3, 1797: Voted that a pound be built about 4 rods West of a small Brook West of the Meeting-house, on the North side of the Road, the South side of the said Pound to be on the North Line of the said road.

Voted that the said Pound be built with stones - 30 feet square the inside - the Wall 3 feet thick at the bottom and 18 inches at the top and 5 1/2 feet high with stones faced on each side, and a piece of sound timber, 12 inches square, laid on the top of the wall on each side of said pound and locked at each corner.

Voted that it be built by the fifth of November next.

Voted that it be set up at the venue to the lowest bidder. It was accordingly struck off to Oliver Robinson for 37 dollars.

March 12, 1798: Joshua Shaw, Jr. and Jacob Joy, Jr. Field drivers. John Cook, Samuel Jostling, and Asa Joy, Jr. Hog-Reeves.

Oliver Robinson Poundkeeper

Voted to build a wooden pound - thirty feet square - in the same manner that Cummington Pound is built - to be built of Hemlock timber, by the first of July. Voted to set it to vendue, to the lowest bidder, and it was accordingly bid off by John Shaw at fourteen dollars and seventy-five cents.

Excused Oliver Robinson from being Pound Keeper.
Chose Samuel Streeter Pound Keeper.

Voted that Horses and Swine shall not at large the year ensuing.

March 4, 1799: Ziba White and Caleb Joy Field Drivers. Joshua Shaw, Jr. and Oliver Robinson Hog-Reeves.

Voted that Horses shall not run at large the coming year.

Voted that Swine may run at large yoked and ringed.

Voted to build a Pound the present year. Chose Peres Packard, Samuel Streeter, John Hamlen, Caleb White, and Amos Coos, a committee to agree on a spot for a Pound and report. Reported, not agreed.

Voted to build Pound down the Hill, a little west of the Meetinghouse, west of a small Brook, the North side of the road.

Voted to build the Pound in the same manner as was agreed on at the annual meeting in 1797.

Josiah Shaw agreed to build the Pound as above said for \$15 on forfeiture of 10 dollars.

March 10, 1800: Samuel Streeter Pound Keeper. Elijah Warner and Ephraim Bates Field Drivers. John Colson, Samuel White, and John Hunt Hog-Reeves.

Voted that horses shall not run at large.
Voted that hogs may go at large yoked and ringed.

April 7, 1800: Voted that rams shall be confined within the owners enclosure from the first day of September to the 15th of November on forfeiture of .50 cents.

Voted that Boars shall never run at large out of the owners enclosure, after they are 3 months old on forfeiture of 25 cents each whenever they are taken up.

March 9, 1801: Capt. Joseph Joy and Joshua Shaw, jr. Field Drivers. Sam'l Kingman, Jacob Jones, and Ebenezer Bisbee Hog-Reeves.

Voted that Horses and Hogs shall not run at large.
Voted that Rams shall be kept up the months of September and October.

March 8, 1802: Jacob House, Josiah E. Packard, Elish Swift, Isaac Bisbee chosen as Hog Reeves. Samuel Streeter chosen as Pound Keeper. Ebenezer Bisbee, Caleb Beals, Abraham R., and Josiah Torrey chosen as Field Drivers.

Voted that horses shall not run at large.
Voted that hogs may go at large yoked and ringed according to law.

March 10, 1803: Jacob Allen, Caleb Beals, Capt. Abijah Snow chosen Hog-Reeves. Ephraim Bates, Ezra Richards, Josiah Packard, and Asa Joy chosen Field Drivers. Samuel Streeter chosen as Pound Keeper.

April 4, 1803:
Voted that horses shall not run at large.
Voted that hogs may go at large yoked and ringed.

March 12, 1804: Sam'l White, Joseph Cook, Sam'l Kingman, John Colson chosen as Field Drivers. Noah Packard and Caleb Beal, James Haywood, and Josiah Brown chosen as Hog Reeves. Ezra Richards chosen as Pound Keeper.

Voted that horses shall not run at large the ensuing season.
Voted that hogs have liberty to go at large qualified as the law requires.

March 4, 1805: Jacob Allen, Oliver Carr, and Abraham Clark chosen as Hog-Reeves. Samuel Thayer Joseph Beals, 2nd, and Caleb Beals chosen field drivers. Joel Carr chosen as Pound Keeper.

Voted that horses shall not run at large the year ensuing.
Voted that swine may qualified as the law requires.

March 3, 1806: Josiah Torrey, Josiah Packard, Noah Joy, Ephraim Bates, Jonathan Torrey, Asa Thayer chosen as Hog-Reeves. Jonathan Noyes, Oliver Carr, and Noah Nash chosen as Field Drivers. Joel Carr chosen as Pound Keeper.

Voted that horses shall not run at large, hogs may qualified as the law directs.

March 9, 1807: John Packard, Jr., Justus Shattuck, and Benjamin Town, Jr. chosen as Hog Reeves. Elijah Warner, Benjamin Lamoin, and Phillip Packard chosen as Field Drivers.

Voted that horses shall not run at large and that hogs run at large yoked and ringed as the Law directs.

April 6, 1807: Voted to repair the Pound, then it was proposed to adjourn and the vote reconsidered and a committee chosen to inspect the old pound and report

“Voted to repair the Pound - then it was proposed to adjourn and the Vote reconsidered and a committee chosen to inspect the old Pound and report at the proposed adjournment whether it be worth repairing or not the committee were John Hamlin, Jacob Nash and Edward Curtis. Voted to adjourn the meeting fourteen nights at 4 o'clock till Monday May 4th 1807. met on adjournment and the committee mentioned Reported that the old Pound was not worth repairing. Voted to set up the old Pound exclusive of the grounds at vendued and it was struck off to Josiah Torrey at Eighty Cents.

Voted to Build a Pound with stone caped with Timber.

Voted to choose a committee of five persons Viz. Capt Joseph Joy, John Hamlin, Benjm Gardner, Josiah Torrey, and Ezra Richards.

Voted that the above mentioned Committee look out a spot and determine the Bigness of the Pound the thickness and height of the walls and report at the proposed adjournment. Voted to adjourn to the last Wednesday in May at four o'clock P.M. Met on adjournment May 27th 1807 the Committee reported that the Pound be built thirty feet squares upon the North Side of the Road about forty Rods west of Joel Carrs in the following manner the South wall three and half feet thick the others three feet the south wall six and half feet high the north wall five feet and half high the east and west walls so high as to level off with the others.

Voted to accept this report with the addition of digging to the hard-pan for the foundation. Voted to reconsider the vote passed to cap the Pound with Timber and to cap it with Stone. Voted that a frame be put into the wall to hang the gate too.

Voted that the Person who shall bid off the building of the Pound shall give Bond to the Treasurer for one third of the sum it shall be struck off at. Sd building was struck to Timothy Packard at thirty-nine dollars. Voted to raise fifty Dollars to Defray the charges of the Pound.”

NOTE: In 1803 Joel Carr bought land in the east part of lot 32, 2nd tier from Joshua Shaw, Jr. Later he sold the 19.5 acres to John and David Mack. See Hampshire Deed 28:216 and 40:291. In Feb., 1807 Joel Carr sold a house on a 1/2 acre that was in Lot 71, 2nd tier of Hatfield Equiv., to Justus Shattuck. Hampshire Deed 27:569. Where did Joel Carr live from 1807 to 1809? ...perhaps with his wife's family.

March 14, 1808: Amos Crittenden, Ebenezer Nash, and John Mack chosen as Hog-Reeves. Justus Shattuck, Edson Packard, and Iran Packard chosen as Field Drivers.

Voted that horses shall not run at large and that swine may.

April 4, 1808: Voted that the Dogs in Town be kept at home on Sabbath Days in order to prevent their making disturbances in and about the Meetinghouse.

March 13, 1809: John Campbell, John Shaw, Jr (or 2nd), Ebenz Lovell chosen as Hog Reeves. Isaac Joy and Ezra Richards chosen as Field Drivers. Erastus Gleason chosen as Pound Keeper.

Voted that horses shall not run at large, swine may qualified as the law directs.

March 13, 1810: Wm Joy, Noah Joy, and John Bisbee chosen as Hog-Reeves. Edward Curtis and Ambros Shelley chosen as Field Drivers. Erastus Gleason Chosen as Pound Keeper.

Voted that horses shall not run at large the year ensuing and that swine may.

March 11, 1811: Ezekiel Eldred and James Barswell chosen Field Drivers. Thos Shaw and Levi Campbell chosen Hog-Reeves.

Voted that horses shall not run at large and that swine may yoked and ringed as the Law requires.

March 9, 1812: Ezieliel Eldred, Willm Joy, and Abel Warner chosen as Field Drivers. Seth Ford, Asem Streeter, Phillip Packard, jr, and Daniel Richards (and William Daniels) chosen Hog-Reeves.

Voted that horses shall not run at large the year ensuing and that Hogs may.

April 6, 1812: Voted that no cattle more than one year old at the present spring shall run at large.

March 15, 1813: Mathias Crittenden, Joseph Cook, and John Bisbee chosen Field Drivers. Gideon Hains, Jacob Porter, Luther Ford, and Charles Reid chosen Hog-Reeves.

Voted that horses shall not run at large and that hogs may qualified as the law requires this season.

March 14, 1814: Scott Vining, Elijah Clark, Isaac Tirrell, and Anthony Whitmarsh chosen Hog Reeves. Levi Streeter chosen Pound Keeper. Eben Ford, Josiah Shaw 3rd, and George Vining chosen as Field Drivers.

Voted that no cattle more than 1 yer old shall run at large, also that horses shall not run at large, and that swine may qualified as the law requires.

March 13, 1815: Peboddy Bartlett, Iran Packard, Arvin Nash, Amasa Packard, Jeremiah Stockwell chosen as Hog-Reeves. Levi Streeter chosen as Pound Keeper. Amariah Robbins, Charles Reed, and Joseph Beals chosen as field drivers.

Voted that horses shall not run at large and that swine may being qualified according to law and that no Horn Cattle shall run at large over a year old.

March 11, 1816: Daniel L. Pratt, Samuel Beals, and Leonard Joy chosen as Field Drivers. (No Hog-Reeves or Pound Keeper mentioned).

Voted that yearlings may run at large, and none that are older. Voted that horses shall not run at large. Voted that hogs may run at large, being yoked and ringed according to law.

March 10, 1817: William Jostlen, Oliver Carr, Levi Campbell chosen Field Drivers. (Note: List of Surveyors of Highways has a note at the bottom that say "The above were chosen Surveyors of highways and Hog-Reeves.")

Arnold Streeter chosen Pound Keeper.

Voted that yearlings may run at large, and none that are older. Voted that horses shall not run at large. Voted that hogs may run at large, being yoked and ringed according to law.

March 9, 1818: Leonard Joy, Jacob Jones, nad Josiah Torrey, jr chosen as Field Drivers. Warren Gardener, James Joy, Joshua Reed, Jacob Stetson chosen Hog-Reeves. Arnold Streeter chosen Pound Keeper.

Voted that yearling cattle run at large and swine that may be yoked and rung

March 4, 1819: Justus Warner, Samuel Clark, and Ebenezer Frand chosen as Field Drivers. Arnold Streeter chosen as Pound Keeper. Josiah Torrey jr, Consider Stockwell, and Samuel Loud chosen Hog-Reeves.

Voted that no cattle or horses go at large the year ensuing. that swine go at large with yokes and rings according to law.

March 18, 1820: Elijah Clark, John Cook, and Samuel Kingman chosen Field Drivers. Arnold Streeter chosen as Pound Keeper. John Shaw, Benj Gardner, John Hamlin, John Campbell, Jacob Porter chosen as Hog-Reeves.

Voted that yearling cattle may go at large.

March 5, 1821: Phillip Packard, William Pratt, Isaac K. Lincoln chosen as field drivers. Arnold Streeter chosen as Pound Keeper. David Eldred, Josiah Torrey, Dennis Beals, Samuel Loud, Lelotis Bates, and Asa Terrell chosen as Hog-Reeves.

Voted that no creatures shall run at large the ensuing year.

March 4, 1822: Samuel Packard, Allen Doan, Jacob Clark chosen Field Drivers. Arnold Streeter chosen Pound Keeper. Elijah Beals, Dura Torrey, Normn White, Elisha Atkins, and Isaiah Stetson chosen Hog-Reeves.

Voted horses meet cattle and swine do not run at large the ensuing year.

March 3, 1823: Justice Warner, Noah Pixley, John Shaw, Nahum White, Steven Nash, John Bisbee, and Brackley Shaw chose as Field Drivers. Benjamin Eldred chosen as Pound Keeper. Daniel Brown, Franklin Naramore, Isaac K. Lincoln, Jehieal Smith, and Sumner Barton chosen Hog-Reeves.

Voted cattle shall not run at large.

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March 1, 1824: Allan Doan, Denis Cooley, John Joy, William Costlin, Samuel Doukard, and Nahum Stowell chosen as field drivers. Lt. Benjamin Eldred chosen Pound Keeper. *(Eldred was married to Lydia Joy, the daughter of Jacob C. Joy. He was also chosen as sexton)* Nahum Streeter, Caleb Joy, Galon Bisbe, Nahum Daniels, Edson Cook, and Thomas Cook chosen as Hog-Reeves.

Voted not to let horses, cattle, and swine run at large the year ensuing.

March 7, 1825: Amasa Packard, Dana Torrey, James Hayward, Stephen Gloyd, Azrial Crittenden, Jared Dyer, and William Pratt chosen as field drivers. Arnold Streeter chosen Pound Keeper. Barnabus Packard, Jr., William Pratt, William Robinson, Justus Warner, Nahum Stowell, James Warner, and Ira Hamlin chosen as Hog-Reeves.

Voted not to let horses, meat cattle, or swine run at large the year ensuing.

March 6, 1826: Isaac Lincoln, Joseph Vining, Athen Doan, Azrial Crittenden, Benjamin Town, Ezra Tirrill, and Alexander Dorn chosen as field drivers. Nahum Streeter chosen Pound Keeper. Isaac Lincoln, Samuel Coddling, Minot Vining, Oakes Dyer, Lemuel Allis, and Reuben Remington chosen as Hog-Reeves.

Voted not to let creature run at large the year ensuing.

March 12, 1827: Wm. Warner, Jared Dyer, Otis Pratt, Allen Doan, Dennis Beals, Jason Richards, A Shaw Tyrrell, John Clark, Jacob Jones, James Gloyd 2nd, Orren Tyrrell, Amasa Packard, Ezra Haskins, Iram Packard, Nahum Streeter, Leavett Hallock, Elias Whipple, and Isaac Sadder chosen as field drivers. Arnold Streeter chosen Pound Keeper. David Stowell, Abishum Nash, Minot Vining, Alexander Dorn, Allen Doan, and William Pratt chosen as Hog Reeves.

Voted that all creatures sell be restricted from running at large the year ensuing.

March 3, 1828: Jason Richards, Jacob Pratt, Barnabus Packard, Jr., Isaac Sadler, Justus Warner, Ezra Tirrill, Cushing Warner, and George Vining chosen as field drivers. Freeman Hamlin chosen Pound Keeper. Freeman Hamlin, Milton Packard, Arson Tirrill, Elisha Atkins, Jacob Jones, jr., Benjamin Gloyd, jr., and Levi Clark chosen as Hog-Reeves.

Voted to restrain horses, cattle, and hogs from going at-large.

River Road approved in Sept. 22, 1828.

March 2, 1829: William Robinson, Stephen ?, James Loud, Stephen Gloyd, William Warner, William Jostlin, and Chester Barton chosen as field drivers. Nahum Streeter chosen Pound Keeper. Freeman Shaw, Levi Clark, Norton Packard, Stallham Rice, Gideon Gardner, Reuben Hamlen, and Randal Stetson chosen as Hog-Reeves.

Voted to restrain horses, meat cattle, and swine from running at large.

March 1, 1830: Amasa Packard, Benjamin Gloyd, Jr., George Vining, and William Stowell chosen as field drivers. Nahum Streeter chosen Pound Keeper. Joseph Joy, Jason Richards, Bela Dyer, Benjamin Towne, Leavitt Hallock, Joseph Gloyd, and William Stowell chosen as Hog-Reeves.

Voted to restrain horses, meat cattle, and swine from running at large.

March 7, 1831: Ira Hamlen, William Torrey, Josiah Torrey, 2nd, Barnabus Packard, Jr., Noah Pixley, and Elijah Clark chosen as field drivers. James Steel chosen Pound Keeper. Samuel Shaw, Homer Curtis, Ira Hamlen, Roland Shaw, Joseph Mason, Mason Ames, and Willard Beals chosen as Hog-Reeves.

Voted to restrain all cattle from running at large.

March 5, 1832: Jacob Stetson, John Mach, jr., William Stowell, Saml Coddling, Isiah Stetson, Amos Joy, Jacob Whitmarsh chosen as Field Drivers. Jonathan Fowler, Roswell Packard,

Isaac Sadler, Saml Coddling, Consider Stockwell, Chester Clark, Saml Thayer, Jr. chosen as hog-reeves. Salem Streeter chosen as Pound Keeper.

Voted to restrain sheep, swine, horses, and meat cattle from running at large.

March 4, 1833: Horace Elmer, Bethuel Gloyd, ? Shaw, John Carr, Geo Vining, Samuel Noyes, Josiah F. Prude, and Josiah Torrey, Jr. chosen Field Drivers. Philander Packard, James Cook, David Whiting, Roswell Packard, Otis Pratt and Niles Noyes chosen Hog-Reeves. Salem Streeter chosen Pound Keeper.

March 3, 1834: Jason Noyes, Wm. Gurney, Wm. Stowell, Elijah Clark, Noah Pixley, Leonard Hodskins, and Azra Tirrell chosen as Field Drivers. Samuel B. Cook, Josiah D. Nelson, Alden B. Syleson, Gideon H. Parsons, and Stillman Ford chosen as HogReeves. Arnold Streeter chosen as Pound Keeper.

March 2, 1835: George Vining, Levi Cook, Jacob Whitmarsh, Bela Dyer, James Loud, Jr., Jacob Pratt, Oren Stetson, Mark Howes, John Clark, Reuben Remington, and Jacob Stetson chosen as Field Drivers. Chose Arnold Streeter Pound Keeper
No HogReeves.

March 7, 1836: Barnabus Packard, Jr., Royal L. Packard, Isaac Sadler, Levi Campbell, Younglove Town, William Warner, Reuben Remington, Capt Levi Clark, Nathaniel White, Kingman Thayer, and Bela Dyer chosen as Field Drivers. Arnold Streeter chosen as Pound Keeper.
No HogReeves.

March 6, 1837: Wm H Wilson, Rolan Shaw, Minot Vining, Dexter White, Josiah Torrey, Mark Howes, and Barnabus Packard, Jr. chosen as Field Drivers. Chose Arnold Streeter Pound Keeper.
No HogReeves.

March 5, 1838: Salem Streeter, Albert Dyer, Cyrus Daniels, Leonard Campbell, John Joy, Lysander Gurney, Ichabod Mason, Reube Crittenden, and Barnabus Packard, Jr. as Field Drivers. Chose Arnold Streeter Pound Keeper.
No HogReeves.

March 4, 1839: Marshall Streeter, Bela Dyer, Samuel Dyer, Stephen Gloyd, Milton Packard, Isaiah Setson, Jerijah Barberm, Dennis Beals, Ira Mason, and George Vining Field Drivers. Chose Arnold Streeter Pound Keeper.
No HogReeves.

March 2, 1840: Chose Wm H. Wilson, Younglove Town, Isaac K. Lincoln, Levi N. Campbell,

Wm N. Ford, Josiah F. Rude, Lyman Carr, Reuben Crittenden, Dexter Mason, and Jacob Pratt as Field Drivers. Chose Levi Cook as Pound Keeper.
No HogReeves.

Note: the highway districts are defined and a new district makes reference to the following reference, "...and support the road from Josiah Shaws directly to the east side of the pound. Also the new road from Levi cook's north to the old county road."

March 1, 1841: Levi Cook,, Stephen Haywar, Bela Dyer, J P Dickinson, Orrin Tirrell, Isiah Stetson, Otis Turner, Mark Howes, and Josiah D. Nelson chosen as Field Drivers. Chose Arnold Streeter as Pound Keeper.

March 7, 1842: Chosen as Field Drivers: Wm H. Wilson, Rowsell Warner, Thaddeus Chamberlain, Wm Jostling, Dennis Beals, Ira Mason, George Vining, Nathaniel White, S B Cook, and Norton Packard. Chosen for Pound Keeper, Arnold Streeter.

March 6, 1843: Chosen as field drivers: Salem Streeter, Samuel Loud, Bela Dyer, Nathiel White, Benjamin Dyer Jr., Dexter Mason, Jeremiah Stockwell, Mark Howes, Samuel Cook, Minot Vining, George Vining, and Orrin Tirrell. End vol. 2

March 4, 1844: Chosen as field drivers: William Bassett, Elijah Warner, Jr., Samuel Bradford, Wm. Stitt, Josiah F. Rude, Ira Mason, David Thayer, Azriel Crittenden, Jr., Summer Barton, Milton Sawyer, and Josiah Torrey.

Choose Salem Streeter as Pound Keeper.

March 3, 1845: Chosen as Field Drivers: Wanton C. Gilbert, Samuel Dyer, Bela Dyer, Milton Packard, Consider Pixley, Stephen Gloyd, Wm. H. Packard, Jeriah Barber, and Horace White.

Choose Arnold Streeter Keeper of the Pound.

March 2, 1846: Field Drivers chosen: Minot Vining, William Bassett, Jacob Jones, Jr., Turner Joy, David M. Coy, Francis Joy, Arial S. Ayers, Joseph Vining 2nd, and Jason Tiyrrrel.

Capt. Levi Cook chosen as Pound Keeper.

March 1, 1847: Chosen as Field Drivers: Albert Dyer, Joseph Gloyd, George Vining, and Abishur Nash. Also chosen as field drivers: Jacob Jones, Jr., Oren Tirrell, Consider Pixley, Summer Barton, Franklin Holdridge, Levi N. Campbell, Nathaniel White, and Isaac K. Lincoln.

Arnold Streeter chosen as Pound Keeper.

March 6, 1848: Chosen as field drivers: Cyrus Josselyn, Samuel Dyer, Arvin Nash, Martin Livermore, Joshua Tyrrell, and Turner Joy. Also chosen: Evelin Wing, Dexter Dyer, and Alvan Ingraham.

Arnold Streeter chosen as Pound Keeper.

March 5, 1849: Chosen as Field Drivers: Amos Stetson, Mark Howes, Cushing Warner, Josiah Shaw, Jr., Bela Dyer, S. Latham, Alden Clark, Jared Bisbee, Bela Mitchell, and Ira Mason.

James Allen chosen Pound Keeper.

March 4, 1850: Chosen as Field Drivers: Lewis Shaw, Samuel Dyer, Dela Dyer, Summer Barton, Jason Tyrrel, Reuben Hamlen, Milton Packard, Dexter Dyer, George Vining, Wm G Whiting, and Asa Thayer.

Chosen as Pound Keeper: Arnold Streeter.

March 3, 1851: Chosen as field drivers: Alishur Nash, Joseph Gloyd, David Packard, Salem Streeter, Aaron N. Remington, Mark Howes, Arvin Nash, Jacob Stetson, Franklin Holdridge, Beza Reed.

Sereno S. Streeter chosen as Pound Keeper.

March 1, 1852: Chosen as field drivers: Albert Dyer, Henry Shaw, Wm Whiting, Wm Shattuck, Bethuel Gloyd, Mark Howes, Sherlock Lincoln, Spencer O. Dyer, Alvan Ingrahm, and Ariel Ayres.

Million S. Colburn chosen as Pound Keeper.

March 7, 1853: Chosen as Field Drivers: W.C. Gilbert, Jonathan Stockwell, Samuel Dyer, Ariel S. Ayres, Benjamin Dyer, Bela Mitchell, Jared Bisbee, Edmund Beals, Homan Hallock, S.K. Lincoln, and Samuel Loud.

Arnold Streeter Chosen Pound Keeper.

March 6, 1854: Chosen as Field Drivers: Freeman Shaw, Stephen Hayward, Bela Dyer, Wm Gurney, Josiah F. Rood, John G. Fowle, Barnabus Packard, Summer Barton, Joshua Tyrel, Azra Tirrell, Samuel W. Lincoln,

No mention of Pound Keeper.

March 5, 1855: Chosen as Field Drivers: "Voted that the several Surveyors of the Highways

be authorized to serve as Field Drivers...”

No mention of Pound Keeper.

March 3, 1856: Chosen as Field Drivers: Jason Richards, Nelson Daniels, Samuel Parker, Jacob Stetson, Jacob W. Pratt, Joseph S. Campbell, Dexter Dyer, Jr., Summer Barton, Edmond Beals, and James Cook.

No mention of Pound Keeper.

March 2, 1857: Chosen as Field Drivers: Newell Dyer, Wm Gurney, Thaddeus Rood, Noah Wetherly, Dexter Dyer, A.N. Remington, Elijah Tyler, and Azra Tirrell.

No mention of Pound Keeper.

March 1, 1858: Chosen as Field Drivers: Lorenzo Streeter, Mahlon Gloyd, J. M. Barber, Dexter Dyer, Otis Beals, William H. Dyer, William Robinson, Jeremiah Stockwell, Jr., Lyman Moulton, and Orrin Tirrell, Jr.

No mention of Pound Keeper.

March 7, 1859: Chosen for Field Drivers: Chase Hamlin, Dexter Dyer, Wm Robinson, Daniel McCoy, Newcomb Dyer, Dennis Beals, E.A. Clark, J.W. Pratt, Samuel Dyer, and Summer Barton.

No mention of Pound Keeper.

March 5, 1860: Chosen for Field Drivers: Jason Richards, Samuel Dyer, Nahum Packard, Francis Joy, Jason Tyrrel, Homan Hallock, Henry W. Cook, Jacob Stetson, Clifford Packard, Henry Barton.

No mention of Pound Keeper.

March 4, 1861: Chosen as Field Drivers: Elijah Warner, Abishur Nash, Wm H Dyer, B. M. Gloyd, E.A. Clark, Mark Howes, Consider Pixley, S. H. Lincoln, Chalmer Packard, Summer Barton, Wm Gurney.

No mention of Pound Keeper.

March 3, 1862: Chosen as Field Drivers: S.C. Streeter, E.S. Tirrell, Alishur Nash, Franklin Holdridge, Cyrus Daniels, Henry Barton, Jason Gardner, Edmund Beals, Stillman Fovel, James Nash, Consider Pixley.

No mention of Pound Keeper.

Field Drivers are chosen until _____.

July 1, 1871: Voted to give Field drivers permission to impound beasts taken up and detained by them in any suitable place on their own properties, according to the provisions of Chap. 366, of the Acts of 1869.

1872: Arnold Streeter died.

June 20, 1845: Hampshire Deed 460:376. (Not filed until 1893)

Benjamin Dyer to Delia R. Colburn & Harriet N. Colburn for \$5. About a 1/2 acre that bordered the Pound, but did not include the pound. (Probably flat area to the immediate west)

March 7, 1903: Hampshire Deed 598:005.

Lorenzo W. Joy, Charles S. Stetson, Rosalia Stetson, and Harry N. Stetson sold the the 1 acre that bordered the pound to Henry C. Packard for \$24.50. Supposedly same lot as 460:376.

August 31, 1905: Hampshire Deed 598:019.

Henry Packard sold to William Barry of Paterson New Jersey two lots. One lot is 16 acres + buildings and the other is 1acre adjoining the old town pound. Sale was for \$375.

1927: Hampshire Deed 837:344.

Inhabitants of Plainfield via the Selectboard sell the 1/2 acre "Pound" to Shepherd R. Dyer for \$1.

February 20, 1954: Hampshire Deed 1161:274. Plainfield Tax Lien

Town of Plainfield put lien on Alice Barry for unpaid taxes from 1952 on a 1a lot adjoining the old town pound.

October 9, 1964: Hampshire Deed 1450:268. Plainfield Tax Lien

Town of Plainfield put lien on Shepherd Dyer for unpaid taxes from 1963 on a 1/2a lot being the same as sold to said Dyer in deed 837:344. The Pound.

The Pound Keepers of Plainfield

Simon Burroughs (1790-1793, 1795)

Caleb Beals (1794)

Samuel Streeter (1796-1803)

Ezra Richards (1804)

Joel Carr (1805-1806)

Erastus Gleason (1809-1810)

Levi Streeter (1814-1815)

Arnold Streeter (1817-1822, 1825, 1827, 1834-1839, 1840-1842, 1845, 1847-1848, 1850,
1853-1872) Lt. Benjamin Eldred (1823-1824)

Nahum Streeter (1826, 1829-1830)

Freeman Hamlin (1828)

James Steel (1831)

Salem Streeter (1832-1833, 1844)

Levi Cook (1840, 1846)

James Allen (1849)

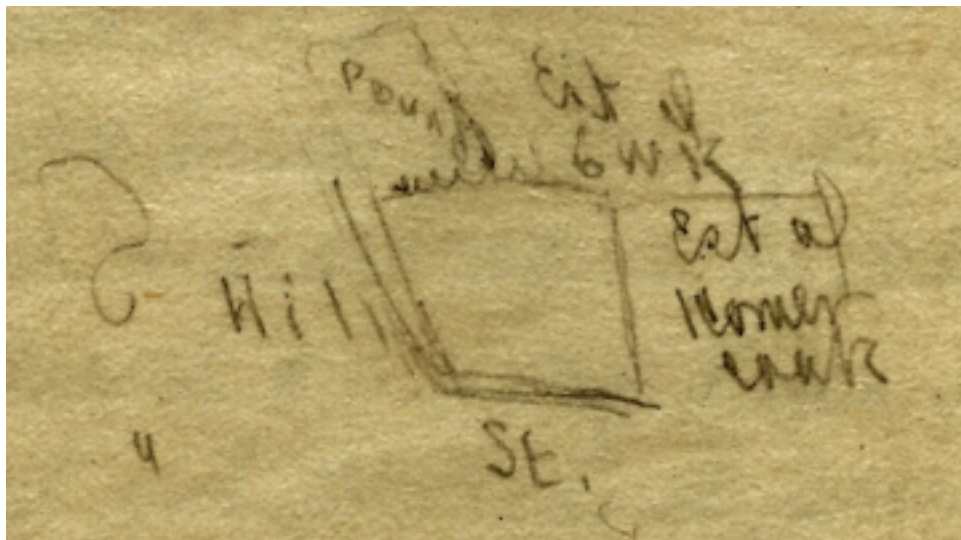
Sereno Cicero Streeter (1851)

Milleon S. Colburn (1852)

2019 LIDAR image of Plainfield, MA. Red lines are probable stone walls. The small flat area where the pound is located is visible on Hill St.



One of Arvilla Dyer or Priscilla Allen's drawings on the back of one of their deed cards.

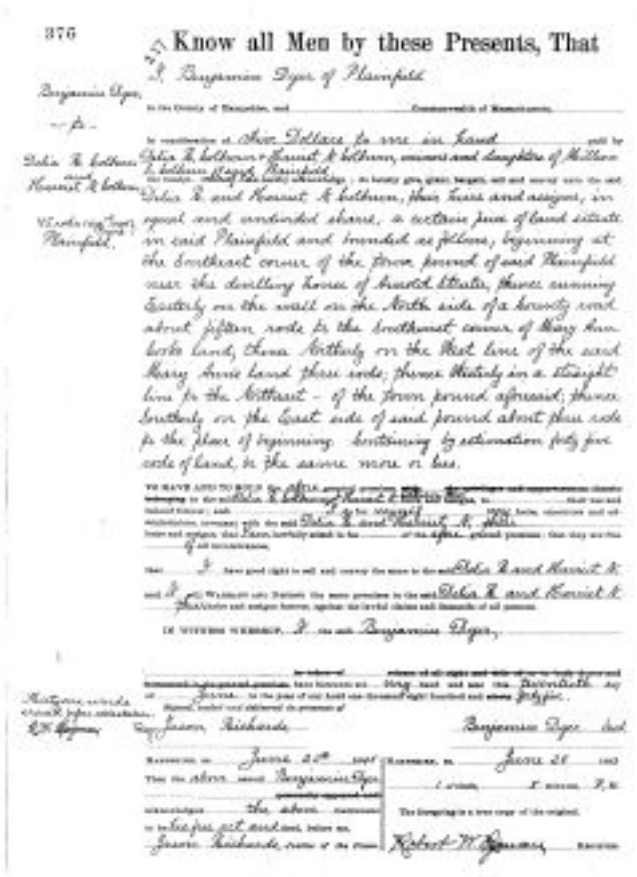


The Colburn Deed: Hampshire Deed, 460:376. June 20, 1845

This deed is Benjamin Dyer selling off the flat piece of land for \$5 to the two daughters of M. Colburn in 1845. It is everything, but the pound, that was enclosed by stone walls on that level piece of ground. Although the deed is dated 1845, it was not filed until

1893 (6 months before their father's death in 1894). In 1845 the daughters would have been 10 and 13 years old. I suspect that there was some unwritten deal, handshake, or a deed recorded in the Plainfield records, but never filed in Northampton that gave that 1/2 acre to Milleon Colburn. M. S. Colburn probably lived where Joel Carr and Justus Shattuck lived. This deed gives a good description of the area around the Pound.

Milleon Colburn married Jane Stetson the daughter of Levi Stetson, Jr. Levi Stetson, Jr.'s other daughter Mercy was married to Sereno Cicero Streeter who lived at what became the the Shep Dyer place. His father was Arnold Streeter. Levi Stetson, Jr.'s sister Olive was married to Levi Cook. Their daughter was Mary Ann Cook who is mentioned in the deed. She appears to have had a child out of wedlock named Homer Curtis Cook. His father may have been Homer Vinson Curtis. Homer V. Curtis was married to a Stetson and his mother was a Streeter. What a tangled web...



The Packard Deed: Hampshire Deed, 598:5. March 7, 1903

This deed is the selling of the small flat piece of land adjoining to the Pound for \$24.50 in 1905. The sellers were related to Milleon Colburn who died in 1894. Lorenzo W. Joy was married to Milleon Colburn's daughter Delia R. Colburn. She also died in 1894 and is thus not mentioned in this deed. Charles S. Stetson was married first to Harriet Newell Colburn who was the other daughter of Milleon Colburn. She died in 1872 and is thus not mentioned in the deed. Charles S. Stetson remarried to Rosalia S. Haskins who is mentioned in the deed. Harry Newell Stetson of Cummington was the only surviving child of Charles Stetson and Harriet N. Colburn.

The land was sold to Henry C. Packard (his father, William Henry Packard was Tom Packard's grandfather). Henry C. Packard was married to Bertha B. Gurney who was the daughter of A.N. Gurney (lived at the Seeyle House). Their son William Packard would later run the store that A.N. Gurney had run in town.



The Barry Deed: Hampshire Deed, 598:19. August 31, 1905

This deed is for two lots one of which adjoins the pound sold by Henry Packard to William H. Barry. The first lot was Sereno Streeter's place. The second is described as "adjoining the site of the old town pound..." This implies that the Pound was not part of the lot, and as it is described as old, it was probably no longer in use. It was a 1 acre lot.

I can find little about William H. Barry other than he was from Paterson, New Jersey. There is a William Barry that was a teacher and later a principal. Married first to an Eva and second to an Alice. He was born in Cincinnati, Ohio and served in the Civil War. His wife Alice appears to be from DC. In 1915 he and his wife went to Cuba and listed Plainfield, MA as their home. He died in Florida in 1932. My best guess is that they spent some of their summers in Plainfield and used the house that was Sereno

Book 508
4 Know all Men by these Presents, That
I, Henry C. Packard of Plainfield, County of Hampshire and Commonwealth
of Massachusetts

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Henry C. Packard
to
William V. Barry

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND SEAL
this 20th day of February, 1954, at Plainfield, Mass.

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1 A,
PLAINFIELD.

The receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do hereby give, grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said
William V. Barry a certain parcel of land situate in Plainfield aforesaid
and bounded and described as follows to wit: Beginning by the highway
leading past the late Sen. W. King, continued east by land formerly of said
King; thence by land of P. G. Hathaway; thence by land of said Hathaway,
by the Mill Brook - and east by land of J. W. Jay, together the bounded prop-
erty runs nearly to a point and the boundary continues for a short distance
to the east of said J. W. Jay. Said premises are also bounded on the north-
westerly side by the old road that runs on Hill St. Said tract abuts on
a certain area of land owned by the Plainfield Town. The title
was taken of record in Hampshire County, Massachusetts on the 25th day of
February in Book 433, Page 95. Also read from E. L. Smith, Collector in
E. M. & T. L. STEPHENSON Deeds Vol. 30, 1896. Recorded in Book 508 Page 234.
Also a certain parcel including the site of the old town pound and bounded and
described as follows to wit: Beginning by the said road and land of E. P.
Hartwell, thence by land of River Dale heirs, thence by and thence
by the old road known as Hill St. and thence by a certain area of
the same land of 1891. Title derived by deed of E. W. Jay et al. dated
March 7, 1903.

See Book 1161
Page 273

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the above premises, with all the privileges and appurtenances thereto

Plainfield Tax Taking Deed: Hampshire Deed, 1161:273. February 20, 1954

This deed is for the taking of the 1a lot for failure to pay taxes in 1952 on the said lot "adjoining the old town pound." The Barrys must have sold off the rest of their lands by then. I don't know why they would have kept this one lot unless it was to camp on. The town of Plainfield never took possession of this parcel as of 2020.

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[THIS INSTRUMENT NOT VALID UNLESS RECORDED WITHIN 60 DAYS OF THE DATE OF TAKING]

FORM 201 INSTRUMENT OF TAKING

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Plainfield

OFFICE OF THE COLLECTOR OF TAXES

I, Charles E. Thatcher, Collector of Taxes for the Town of Plainfield, pursuant and subject to the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 80, Sections 33 and 34, hereby take for said City, the following described land:

DESCRIPTION OF LAND

Oliver Barry

That certain parcel of land situated on Hill Street Plainfield adjoining the site of the old Iron Pound, containing by estimation one acre, described in deed given by Henry C. Hayward to William H. Barry and recorded in Hampshire County Registry of Deeds Book 598 Page 17. Also see Probate Court Record No. 21305

Said land is taken for non-payment of taxes as defined in Section 43 of said Chapter 80 assessed thereon to Oliver Barry

for the year 1952, which were not paid within fourteen days after demand therefor made upon Oliver Barry on December 31, 1952, and now remain unpaid together with interest and incidental expenses and costs to the date of taking in the amounts hereinafter specified, after notice of intention to take said land given as required by law.

1952 TAXES REMAINING UNPAID	\$ 6.00
INTEREST TO THE DATE OF TAKING	.50
INCIDENTAL EXPENSES AFTER TAKING TO THE DATE OF TAKING	2.10
TAXES FOR WHICH LAND IS TAKEN	\$ 13.40

WITNESS my hand and seal this 20th day of February, 1953

Charles E. Thatcher, Collector of Taxes for the City of Plainfield

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, ss. February 20, 1953

Then personally appeared the above named Charles E. Thatcher and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his free act and deed as Collector of Taxes, before me, Thomas H. Conditte, Jr., My commission expires September 20, 1954

Hampshire, ss. Feb. 24, 1954, at 10 o'clock and 30 minutes A. M.

Received and entered with Hampshire County Registry of Deeds, Book 1161, Page 273. Document No. , Certificate of Title No.

Attest: Register

THIS FORM AUTHORIZED BY JOSEPH P. LADD, REGISTRAR GENERAL OF DEEDS FOR THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, FEBRUARY, 1953. PAGE 12-A

Sale of the Pound: Hampshire Deed, 837:344. 1927

The inhabitants of Plainfield sell 1/2a known as the "pound" to Shepherd R. Dyer for \$1. Bounded by the road to the west, the Barry property (1a) to the east, and Nelson Gardner's lands to the North. This definitely implies that the pound was distinct from the 1a lot that had been acquired by the Colburn family.

Know all Men by These Presents, That

Inhabitants of Plainfield To Shepherd E. Dyer & A. "The Pound" Plainfield

We the inhabitants of the Town of Plainfield in the County of Hampshire in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts by the selectmen duly authorized in consideration of one Dollar (\$1.00) and other valuable considerations paid by Shepherd E. Dyer of Plainfield County and State aforesaid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do hereby release and forever QUICCLAIM unto the said Shepherd E. Dyer his heirs and assigns a certain tract or parcel of land situate in the said town of Plainfield westerly from the Town Hall and known as the "Pound" bounded as follows, namely:-

Bounded on the north by land of Nelson N. Gardner on the east by land of William Barry and on the West by a highway leading westerly from the Town Hall leading to and beyond the residence of Shepherd E. Dyer

Said tract of land contains one half acre be the same more or less.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the granted premises, with all the privileges and appurtenances therein belonging to the said Shepherd E. Dyer and his heirs and assigns to their own use and behoof forever

And We do hereby for ourselves heirs executors and administrators covenant with the said grantee and his heirs and assigns that the granted premises are free from all incumbrances made or suffered by the Town of Plainfield

And that we will heirs executors and administrators shall warrant and defend the same to the said grantee and his heirs and assigns forever, against the lawful claims and demands of all persons claiming by, through or under the Town of Plainfield but against none other.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we the said Selectmen of Plainfield

do hereby set our hand and seal this 9th day of July in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty seven

Signed sealed and delivered in presence of

Henry E. Wells, Charles E. Thatcher, Darwin L. Seale, Clayton M. Nye

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire ss, July 9, 1927. Then personally appeared the above named

Charles E. Thatcher and Clayton M. Nye and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be their free act and deed.

Before me, Howard E. Drake, Justice of the Peace, My Commission expires June 25 1931

Hampshire ss August 6, 1927 at 1 o'clock and 30 minutes P. M.

After made and delivered class correct

Plainfield Tax Taking Deed: Hampshire Deed, 1450:268. October 9, 1964

This deed is for the taking of a 1/2a lot that Shepherd Dyer had bought from the Town of Plainfield that contains the Pound for unpaid taxes in 1963. Same land as in deed 837:344. Shepherd Dyer died in 1934 and his wife died in 1955. The Dyer 2a home lot was taken in 1954 and 1957 which was on the south side of Hill St.

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THIS INSTRUMENT NOT VALID UNLESS ENDORSED WITHIN 48 HOURS OF THE DATE OF TAKING
INSTRUMENT OF TAXING

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

PLAINFIELD

OFFICE OF THE COLLECTOR OF TAXES

I, JEROME V. CARVER, Collector of Taxes for
the City of PLAINFIELD, pursuant and subject to the provisions
of General Laws, Chapter 80, Sections 22 and 24, hereby take for said ^{city} ~~town~~ the following
described land:

DESCRIPTION OF LAND

The description here is subject to Section 27 of Chapter 80B, which provides that the value of land, in the case of
land, is the value of the land as if it were sold at public sale, and the value of the land as if it were sold at public sale.
A certain parcel of land being the same parcel described in a
deed from the inhabitants of the Town of Plainfield dated
July 7, 1905 and supposed to contain one-half acre more or
less recorded in the Hampshire County Registry of Deeds
Book 837 page 344.

Said land is taken for nonpayment of taxes as defined in Section 43 of said Chapter 80
assessed thereon to Shepard Dyer

for the year 1963, which were not paid within fourteen days after demand therefor made upon
Shepard Dyer on December 6, 1963, and now
remains unpaid together with interest and incidental expenses and costs to the date of taking in the
amounts hereinafter specified, after notice of intention to take said land given as required by law.

1963 TAXES REMAINING UNPAID	\$ 8.50
INTEREST TO THE DATE OF TAKING	.34
INCIDENTAL EXPENSES AND COSTS TO THE DATE OF TAKING	5.29
SUM FOR WHICH LAND IS TAKEN	\$ 14.13

WITNESS my hand and seal this 9th day of October, 1964

Jerome V. Carver
Collector of Taxes for the City of Plainfield

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Plainfield ss. October 9, 1964

Then personally appeared the above named JEROME V. CARVER

and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his free act and deed as Collector of Taxes,
before me, J. G. [Signature]

My commission expires Jan. 11, 1966

Received and entered with Hampshire County Registry of Deeds
Book 1450, Page 766, Document No. , Certificate of Title No.

Attest: Register