

At a Publick Town Meeting for the Choice of Jury Men Legally Warn'd & held in Dover the 6<sup>th</sup> Day of Aug<sup>r</sup> 1770

Voted Capt Shadrach Hodgdon 1<sup>st</sup> Moderator

Thos Canney Grand Juror for Gen<sup>l</sup> Sessions } Joshua Varney Petit Juror for the Court  
Isaac Young Petit Juror for D<sup>l</sup> Sessions }

At a meeting for the Choice of Jury Men called by a Constable 7<sup>th</sup> Day of Aug<sup>r</sup> 1770

Voted Mr Isaac Hill Moderator

Capt Stephen Evans } Petit Juror for Superior Court  
Capt In<sup>o</sup> Gage }

At a special Meeting called by a Constable for the Choice of Jury men To serve on the Jury at the Inferior Court of Common Pleas Now sitting at Portsmouth held 17<sup>th</sup> Sept 1770

Voted st George Watron Moderator

2<sup>ly</sup> Nicholas Riches Petit Juror

At a Publick Town Meeting Legally Warn'd & held at the Quakers Old Meeting house so called in Dover 15<sup>th</sup> Day of Oct<sup>r</sup> 1770

St Joshua Wingate Moderator

2<sup>ly</sup> Voted That Nothing be Voted or acted according to the Notification of the Meeting Was dissolved & Nothing further acted in<sup>d</sup> Meeting

To the Freeholders & Inhabitants of the Town of Dover Notice is hereby Given that a publick Town Meeting for the Choice of Jury men is to be held at my dwelling house on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> Day of November

1<sup>st</sup> Instant at 10 o'clock in the forenoon 5<sup>th</sup> to chuse or draw two good & Lawful Men to serve on the Petit Jury at the Next Inferior Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Portsmouth on the first Thursday Next following the first Tuesday of December Next 2<sup>ly</sup> to chuse or draw one Good & Lawful Man to serve on the Petit Jury at the Next Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Portsmouth aforesaid on the first Tuesday of December next All Concern<sup>d</sup> are desired to attend said Meeting at time & place aforesaid

Dover Nov<sup>r</sup> 10 1770 E<sup>p</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Hanson Town Cler

At a Publick Town Meeting for the Choice of Jury men Legally Warn'd & held at Dover 19<sup>th</sup> Day of Nov<sup>r</sup> 1770

Voted st Benj<sup>a</sup> Evans Moderator

James Varney 1<sup>st</sup> Juror for } Ezra Kembal for Sessions  
Benj<sup>a</sup> Titcomb 1<sup>st</sup> Inf<sup>r</sup> Court }

Province of N<sup>w</sup> To the Freeholders & Inhabitants of the Town of Dover New Hamp<sup>s</sup> In said Province Such as are Lawfully Qualified to Vote In Publick Town Meetings Notice is hereby Given that a Publick Town Meeting is to be held at the House of Maj<sup>r</sup> John Titcomb Innholder in Dover aforesaid on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> Day of December Instant at 10 o'clock in the fore noon to be if the assembled at said Meeting Qualified as aforesaid will then Vote to chuse an agent or agents for & in behalf of said Town to answer to & shew Cause if any they have against a Petition from Howard Henderson Joseph Clements & others Directed to His Excellency the Governor the Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Council & Assembly Being Granted Relating the building Bridge in said Town which said Petition is to be heard on Wednesday the 2<sup>nd</sup> Day of January Next if the General Assembly be then sitting & if not then on the third Day

Day of their sitting next after & if Voted to Chuse an agent or agents as aforesaid then to Vote who said agent or agents shall be to attend & shew Cause as aforesaid by order of the Select men  
all Concerned are Desired to attend at time & Place aforesaid  
Eph<sup>m</sup> Hanson Town Cler

Dover Dec<sup>r</sup> 22 1770  
At a Publick Town Meeting Legally Warned & held at the Dwelling house of Major John Titcomb in Dover & 31<sup>st</sup> Day of December 1770  
St Joshua Wingate Moderator

Voted 1st  
2<sup>d</sup> Voted  
3<sup>d</sup> Voted

That agents be Chosen  
That Colo In Gage Capt Stephen Evans & Capt Shadrach Hodgdon be agents for & in behalf of said Dover to attend the General Assembly on Wednesday & Second Day of Jan<sup>y</sup> Next if said Assembly be then sitting & if not on the third day of their sitting next after to answer for & in behalf of said Dover to a petition from Howard Henderson for Elements & others Directed to his Excellency the Governor the Honble the Council & Assembly to shew Cause why the Prayer of said Petition should not be Granted  
The Meeting Dissolved without any further Vote

To the freeholders & Inhabitants of the Town of Dover Notice is hereby Given That a Publick Town Meeting for the Choice of Jury men is to be held at the Dwelling house of the Subscriber on Monday the 7<sup>th</sup> Day of Jan<sup>y</sup> Next at 10 O'clock in the forenoon to Chuse two Good & Lawful men to serve as Grand Jurors at his Majesty's Superior Court of Indictures to be held at Portsmouth on the first Tuesday of Feb<sup>r</sup> Next & also to Chuse or draw two men of those duly Qualified to serve as Petit Jurors at the aforesaid Court <sup>to be held at aforesaid</sup> all persons Concerned are Desired to attend at time & Place aforesaid  
Eph<sup>m</sup> Hanson Town Cler

Dover Dec<sup>r</sup> 29 1770  
At a Publick Town Meeting for the Choice of Jury Men Legally Warned & held at the House of Eph<sup>m</sup> Hanson & 7<sup>th</sup> Day of Jan<sup>y</sup> 1771

Voted 1<sup>st</sup>

Jos Burnam Moderator  
St Joshua Wingate } Grand Jurors  
Josh Ham }  
John Tuttle } Petit Jurors  
Stephen Hanson }

Province of New Hampshire } To the freeholders & Inhabitants of Dover in said Province such as are Lawfully Qualified to Vote in Publick Town Meetings Notice is hereby Given that a Publick Town Meeting is to be held at the Dwelling house of the Subscriber on Monday the 25<sup>th</sup> Day of Feb<sup>r</sup> Instant at 10 O'clock in the forenoon 1<sup>st</sup> to Chuse or draw two Good & Lawful men to serve on the Petit Jury at the Next Court of General Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Portsmouth in said Province on the first Tuesday of March next also to Chuse or draw two Good & Lawful Men to serve on the Petit Jury at the next Inferior Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Portsmouth aforesaid on the first Thursday Next following the first Tuesday of March Next  
all persons Concerned are Desired to attend at time & Place aforesaid  
Eph<sup>m</sup> Hanson Town Cler

Dover Feb<sup>r</sup> 16 1771  
At a Publick Town Meeting for the Choice of Jury Men Legally Warned & held at the house of Eph<sup>m</sup> Hanson & 25<sup>th</sup> Day of Feb<sup>r</sup> 1771

Voted 1<sup>st</sup>

Moses Sawyer Moderator  
Eph<sup>m</sup> Young Jurors for Sessions  
Jimb Varney }  
( Ambrose Bampton ) Petit Jurors for  
( Benj<sup>a</sup> Church ) Inf<sup>r</sup> Court

To the Freeholders & Inhabitants of the Town of Dover such as are Lawfully Qualified to Vote in Annual Town Meetings Notice is hereby Given that an Annual Town Meeting of said Town is to be held at the Dwelling house of Mrs Sarah Titcomb in Dover aforesaid on Monday & 25<sup>th</sup> Day of March Instant at 10 O'clock in the forenoon then & there to choose all

All Town Officers for Said Town for the Year ensuing as by Law is required or may be Needful all persons Concerned are desired to attend at Time & Place aforesaid By order of the Select Men

Dover March 16 1771

Eph<sup>m</sup> Hanson Town Cler

At an Annual Town Meeting, Legally Warn'd & held at the House of Mrs Sarah Titcomb 25<sup>th</sup> Day of March 1771

Voted 1<sup>st</sup> Tho<sup>t</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Waldron Esq<sup>r</sup> Moderator

2<sup>d</sup> Eph<sup>m</sup> Hanson Town Clerke

Then Voted that the Said Meeting be adjourned to Monday the 15<sup>th</sup> Day of April Next at 1 O'clock afternoon to be held at the House of said Mrs Titcomb & accordingly the Moderator adjourn'd the meeting to be held at said time & place

At an Annual Town Meeting held at the house of Mrs Sarah Titcomb By adjournment 15<sup>th</sup> Day of April 1771

mett according to adjournment at time & place Apr 15 1771

Otis Baker Chosen Clerk Pro Tempore

first Select Man Capt Caleb Hodgdon

second Select Man Capt Stephen Evans

third Select Man Lieut Joshua Wingate

Comissioners first Joseph Hanson

second Tho<sup>t</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Waldron Esq<sup>r</sup>

Constable Dover Post Benj<sup>a</sup> Titcomb

Cochecho Post Constable Nath<sup>l</sup> Hane

Overseer poor Tho<sup>t</sup> Tuttle & Esq<sup>r</sup> Joseph Roberts & Esq<sup>r</sup> Ensign

Jam<sup>l</sup> Heard

Captain In<sup>d</sup> Gage

Joseph Hodgdon

Eph<sup>m</sup> Ham

Jona Bickford

James Varney

Jm<sup>d</sup> Hayes

Clear<sup>r</sup> Hodgdon

Eph<sup>m</sup> Kembal

Jolo Varney

Tho<sup>t</sup> Tuttle

Rich<sup>d</sup> Kembal

Ambrose Bampton

Joshua Perkins

Jolo Hanson

St Joshua Wingate

Joseph Hanson

Jm<sup>d</sup> Tuttle

Jm<sup>d</sup> Hutchins

Rich<sup>d</sup> Waldron

Tim<sup>d</sup> Clements

Joseph Bickford

Paul Welland

Wm<sup>m</sup> Watson

Esq<sup>r</sup> Tuttle

Jam<sup>l</sup> Evans

Jm<sup>d</sup> Clements

Wm<sup>m</sup> Horn

Surveyors of Highway

Isaac Reed  
Joseph Godso  
Jm<sup>d</sup> Richer  
Eph<sup>m</sup> Bickford  
James Young<sup>r</sup>  
W<sup>m</sup> Welland  
Anthony Hanson

Hog Reves

Jolo Hanson }  
Jm<sup>d</sup> Conner } Dealers of Leather

St Jona Hayes }  
Jona Pinckham } fence Viewers  
Moses Varney }  
Moses Roberts }  
Jacob Sawyer }  
Elear<sup>r</sup> Hodgdon }  
M<sup>l</sup> Kelle }  
Silas Hanson } 7y thing men

Capt Jm<sup>d</sup> Gage }  
Moses Ham } Surveyors  
Tho<sup>t</sup> Shannon }  
Benj<sup>a</sup> Peine } Lumber

Tho<sup>t</sup> Hanson Pound Keeper

Jona Gage }  
Jm<sup>d</sup> Stevens } Measurers or  
Moses Hanson } Corders of Wood

Jacob Sawyer }  
Jm<sup>d</sup> Measurers } Dealer of Weights

Tho<sup>t</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Waldron Mod<sup>r</sup>

meeting

Meeting adjourned to the first Monday June Next being the 3<sup>d</sup> Day at 2 o'clock  
 afternoon  
 At an Annual Town Meeting held by adjournment at the house of M<sup>rs</sup> Sarah  
 Titcomb Monday 3<sup>d</sup> Day of June 1771 met according to adjournment &  
 Voted John Heard Constable  
 Nothing further Voted & the Meeting was Voted to be Dissolved & accordingly by the  
 Moderator Dissolved the Meeting

Province of } Pursuant to a Precept from the High Sheriff of said Province for  
 New Hamp<sup>sr</sup> } the Choice of two Representatives To the Freeholders & Inhabitants of  
 Dover & Madbury Qualified by Law to Vote for the Choice of Representatives  
 Notice is hereby Given that a Publick Town Meeting of said Dover & Madbury  
 is to be held at the Dwelling house of M<sup>rs</sup> Sarah Titcomb in Dover on Monday  
 the 15<sup>th</sup> Day of May Next at 10 o'clock in the forenoon to Chuse two Suitable  
 Persons to Represent said Town of Dover in General Assembly to be Convened  
 & held at Portsmouth in said Province on the 22<sup>d</sup> Day of May Next at 10 o'clock  
 in the forenoon All Persons Concern'd are Desired to attend at time & Place  
 aforesaid By order of the Select Men Eph<sup>m</sup> Hanson Town Cler  
 Dover April 27: 1771

At a Publick Town Meeting for the Choice of two Representatives  
 Legally Warn'd to be held at the house of M<sup>rs</sup> Sarah Titcomb in Dover  
 the 15<sup>th</sup> Day of May 1771 the Meeting being Call'd at said house & by  
 reason of sickness in the Family was Voted to be adjourn'd to be held at  
 Dover first Parish Meetinghouse & accordingly said Meeting was held  
 at said meetinghouse &

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M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Waldron Esq<sup>r</sup> Moderator for said Meeting  
 Odis Baker Esq<sup>r</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Representative  
 John Gage Esq<sup>r</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> Representative

To the Freeholders & Inhabitants of the Town of Dover Notice is hereby  
 Given that a Publick Town Meeting, for the Choice of Jury Men is to  
 be held at the Dwelling house of the Subscriber on Monday the 26<sup>th</sup> Day  
 of May Instant at 10 o'clock in the forenoon 1<sup>st</sup> to Chuse or Draw one  
 Good & Lawful Man to serve on the Petit Jury at the next Court of G<sup>l</sup>  
 Session of the Peace to be holden at Portsmouth on the first Tuesday of  
 June Next & also to Chuse or Draw two good & Lawful men to serve on the  
 Petit Jury at the Next Inferior Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Portm<sup>o</sup>  
 aforesaid on the first Thursday Next following the first Tuesday  
 of June Next All Persons Concern'd are Desired to attend at time &  
 Place aforesaid Eph<sup>m</sup> Hanson Town Cler

Dover May 10<sup>th</sup> 1771

At a Publick Town Meeting for the Choice of Jury men Legally  
 Warn'd & held at the House of Eph<sup>m</sup> Hanson 10<sup>th</sup> Day of May 1771  
 Francis Drees Esq<sup>r</sup> Moderator } Tim<sup>o</sup> Clement Esq<sup>r</sup> Juror for  
 Isaac Hill Juror for Sessions } James Lebbey Esq<sup>r</sup> Inferior Court

Voted st

Province of } To the Freeholders & Inhabitants of the Town of Dover  
 New Hamp<sup>sr</sup> } Notice is hereby Given that a Publick Town Meeting for the Choice  
 of Jury Men is to be held at my Dwelling house in Dover aforesaid  
 on Monday the 26<sup>th</sup> Day of Augt Instant at 10 o'clock in the forenoon to  
 Chuse or Draw two Good & Lawful men to serve as Grand Jurors at his Majesty's  
 Superior Court of Judicature to be held at Exeter the first Tuesday of Sep<sup>r</sup>  
 Next Also to Chuse or Draw two Good & Lawful men to serve as Petit Jurors at the aforesaid  
 Court to be held as aforesaid All persons Concern'd are Desired to attend at time & Place aforesaid  
 Dover Aug 16 1771 Eph<sup>m</sup> Hanson Town Cler

At a Publick Town Meeting for the Choice of Jury Men Legally  
 Warn'd & held y<sup>e</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> Day of Augt 1771 Voted y<sup>t</sup>  
 Spencer Wentworth Moderator  
 Elijah Tuttle? Grand Jurors { James Chesley? Petit  
 Thoma Hayes } Jurors { Rich<sup>d</sup> Kembal } Jurors

To the Free holders & Inhabitants of the Town of Dover Notice is hereby  
 Given that a Publick Town Meeting for the Choice of Jury Men is to be  
 held at the House of the Subscriber on Monday the 28<sup>th</sup> Day of Oct<sup>r</sup> Instant at  
 10 o'clock in the fore Noon to Chuse or Draw one Good & Lawful Man to serve on  
 The Petit Jury at the Next Inferior Court of Common Pleas to be holden at  
 Portsmouth on the first Tuesday of Nov<sup>r</sup> Next also to Chuse or Draw one Good  
 & Lawful Man to serve on the Petit Jury at the Next Court of General Sessions  
 of the Peace to be holden at Portsmouth aforesaid on the second Tuesday  
 of Nov<sup>r</sup> Next all Persons Concern'd are Desired to attend at time & Place  
 aforesaid  
 Eph<sup>m</sup> Hanson Town Cler

Dover Oct<sup>r</sup> 18 1771 for the Choice of Jury men  
 At a Publick Town Meeting Legally Warn'd & held in Dover y<sup>e</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> Day of  
 October 1771

Voted y<sup>t</sup>  
 Ichabod Horn Moderator  
 Havel Seighton Petit Juror for Inf<sup>r</sup> Court  
 Maul Hanson Petit Juror for Sessions

Province of New Hampshire } To the Free holders & Inhabitants of the Town of Dover  
 Mockingham N. H. ) Notice is hereby Given that a Publick Town Meeting for the Choice of  
 Jury men is to be held at my Dwelling house in Dover aforesaid on Monday the 28<sup>th</sup>  
 Day of Jan<sup>y</sup> Inst at 10 o'clock before noon To Chuse or Draw two Good & Lawful Men  
 to serve on the Petit Jury at the Next Inferior Court of Common Pleas to be  
 holden at Portsmouth on the first Tuesday of Feb<sup>r</sup> Next also to Chuse or Draw  
 one Good & Lawful Man to serve on the Petit Jury at the Next Court of  
 General Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Portsmouth aforesaid on the second  
 Tuesday of said Feb<sup>r</sup> all Persons Concern'd are Desired to attend at time & Place afores<sup>d</sup>  
 Eph<sup>m</sup> Hanson Town Cler

at a Town Meeting held by the freeholders & Inhabitants of the Town  
 of Dover at the Quakers meeting house in Dover Jan<sup>y</sup> 13 1772

- 1 Opened by Colo John Wentworth
- 2 Chose Lt Joshua Wingate Moderator
- 3 Chose Stephen Evans tempore Clerk
- 4 Voted & Soled 122 That they would not pay for the upper bridge  
 Built above Cochecho Falls & 43 Voted for paying for the upper bridge  
 Stephen Evans for tempore Clerk

Province of New Hampshire } County of Strafford Dover March 4<sup>th</sup> Eleventh 1773  
 The Next before Written twenty one Pages Viz Page 103 & Page 123 both  
 Included Contain all the Notifications for Transactions of Town Meetings in  
 Dover from the seventh of March 1768 to & y<sup>e</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> of Jan<sup>y</sup> 1772 in the  
 Minutes delivered Me By Mess<sup>rs</sup> John Burnam Hanson & John Wentworth  
 Administrators of the Estate of M<sup>r</sup> Eph<sup>m</sup> Hanson Late Clerk of said Town Except  
 the Notification for the Town Meeting Oct<sup>r</sup> 15 1770 which was so defaced when  
 when I rec<sup>d</sup> it that it could not be Entered which is not Material as at  
 said meeting Nothing was Voted of any Importance  
 Recorded from the Original Minutes By Tho<sup>s</sup> W<sup>al</sup>don Town Clerk

To the free holders & Inhabitants of the Town of Dover such as are Qualified By Law to Vote in Public town Meeting

Notice is Hereby Given that an Annual Town Meeting will be Held on Monday the 30<sup>th</sup> Day of this Inst March at ten o'clock in the forenoon at the Congregational Meeting house in Dover

- 1 To Chuse all Town officers for the Year ensuing, as the Law Directs
- 2 To Vote a certain sum of money as much as the Town shall think sufficient at said meeting to repair the high Ways of said Town for this present year said sum to be raised according to an act of said Province made for the repairing high Ways in said Province
- 3 To see if the Town will apix the wages what each man shall have per Day for working on said Highway, or To Vote any thing relating to the repairing said Highways in said Town as they shall think Proper at said Meeting
- 4 To hear the request of sundry of the Inhabitants of said Town to see if the said Town will Vote any money to the support of schools in said Town this present Year & if Voted
- 5 To Vote as much money as they shall think Proper at said Meeting for the Supporting of Schools this present year in said Town
- 6 To Vote the said Town to be Divided into Districts as many as the Town or the Select Men shall think Proper
- 7 To Vote that each District shall be Entitled to draw their Part of said money in Proportion to what they Pay of the sum raised by said Town for Schooling if they apply it for Proper Schools in their Districts
- 8 To see if the Town will Grant the request of a Number of the Inhabitants of said Town that is to see if said Town will be at the Cost of Laying out a Highway from Deacon Thomas Hayeses or Near there about towards Timothy Hansons to Madbury Line
- 9 To hear the request of Cornet John Waldron & Others that is to see if the Town will Pass a Vote to Exchange the Road lately laid out from Thomas Hanson, up over Hainers brook so called that Part of said Way that Lies against the Land lately Owned by Capt Richard Waldron deceased on the North Side of said Brook for a highway through the Land now owned by the Heirs of Capt Rich<sup>d</sup> Waldron on the South Side of said Brook
- 10 To see if the Town will be at the Cost of Laying out a highway from the Head of the Highway laid out through Pompets Grant so called to Eph<sup>m</sup> Kembals House where the said Town shall think Proper

All Concerned are hereby Desired to attend at Time & Place by us

Dover March 21: 1772

Caleb Hodgdon  
 Steph<sup>n</sup> Evans  
 Joshua Wingate } Select Men

At an Annual Town Meeting Legally Warn<sup>d</sup> & held at the Meeting house in Dover the 30<sup>th</sup> of March 1772

Voted 1<sup>st</sup> Tho<sup>s</sup> W<sup>al</sup> Waldron Moderator  
 2<sup>o</sup> Tho<sup>s</sup> W<sup>al</sup> Waldron Town Clerk

Capt Caleb Hodgdon  
 Lt Joshua Wingate  
 Capt Stephen Evans } Select Men

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Amos Peasley  
 Moses Wingate  
 Capt W<sup>al</sup> Gage  
 Zacheus Purinton  
 & W<sup>al</sup> Waldron's } Surveyors of Highways

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Tho<sup>s</sup> Tuttle  
 Moses Ham  
 & Sam<sup>l</sup> Heard } Overseers of the Poor

Voted One Day for each Poll to work on Roads & so Every Person in Proportion for his Rateable Estate

Voted

4 Voted  
3 Voted

Two Shillings a Day for Working on said Highways for Men & Oxen  
One Shilling a Day for a Cart & Wheel & a Plow  
Then the Meeting was Adjourned to Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> of April at 2 o'clock P.M.  
meet according to adjournment April 13 1772

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|-------|--|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Voted | Capt Tho <sup>o</sup> Waldron          | Auditors                  | William Walson                       | } Sealers of Leather           |
|       | Joseph Hanson                          |                           | John Conner                          |                                |
|       | Joshua Wingate                         | } Lot Layers              | Tho <sup>o</sup> Tuttle              | } Fence Viewers                |
|       | Joseph Hanson                          |                           | Jonath Hayes                         |                                |
|       | John Tuttle                            |                           | Moses Varney                         |                                |
|       | In <sup>o</sup> Waldron 3 <sup>d</sup> |                           | Moses Roberts                        |                                |
|       | Andrew Torr                            |                           | Jacob Sawyer                         |                                |
|       | Timothy Clements                       | } Field Drivers           | In <sup>o</sup> Gage 1 <sup>st</sup> | } Surveyors of Lumber          |
|       | Joseph Bickford                        |                           | Moses Ham                            |                                |
|       | Paul Welland                           |                           | Tho <sup>o</sup> Shannon             |                                |
|       | Wm Watson                              |                           | Benj <sup>a</sup> Peirce             |                                |
|       | Ebenezer Tuttle                        |                           | In <sup>o</sup> Gage 2 <sup>nd</sup> |                                |
|       | Saml Evans                             | Isaac Young               |                                      |                                |
|       | John Clements                          | Jacob Sawyer              |                                      |                                |
|       | Wm Horn                                | In <sup>o</sup> Gage      | Pound Keeper                         |                                |
|       | Isaac Reed                             | } Hog Reeves              | Jacob Sawyer                         | } Sealer of Weights & Measures |
|       | Joseph Godso                           |                           | Eph <sup>m</sup> Kemball             |                                |
|       | Saml Micker                            |                           | James Calef                          |                                |
|       | Eph <sup>m</sup> Bickford              |                           | Zaccheus Purinton                    |                                |
|       | James Young                            |                           | John Heard                           | } Constables                   |
|       | Nath <sup>l</sup> Welland              | Benj <sup>a</sup> Titcomb |                                      |                                |

Voted That the Select men hire a man or men to Collect the Taxes of the Town this Present year in the Cheapest manner they can

Voted That one Hundred Pounds be raised for Supporting Schools the Present year & That the Town be Divided into as many Districts as the Select men shall think Proper & that Each District have their Share of the Money Provided they use it for Schooling their Children

Voted After being fully Debated that the Petition for a Road to Madbury Line be Dismissed

Voted That the Petition of John Waldron & others about Changing a high Way as set forth in the Notification be Granted

Voted That for the Laying out a road from Pompely Grant to Eph<sup>m</sup> Kembals House the Seled men are Impowered to buy Land as the same is set forth in y<sup>e</sup> Notification & then the Meeting was Dissolved by the Moderator Tho<sup>o</sup> Waldron

Province of New Hampshire's Dover April 11 1772  
This is to Notify the Qualified Voters of the Town of Dover that on Monday the 20<sup>th</sup> Instant at 3 o'clock afternoon a Town meeting is to be held at Mr Saml Hams Inn: Holder in said Dover to draw two Petit Jurors one to serve at the Inferior Court of Common Pleas the first Tuesday in May Next & the other at the Court of General Sessions of the Peace the second Tuesday of said May both Courts to be held at Portsmouth Province  
Tho<sup>o</sup> Waldron Town Clerk

Pursuant to the Notification a Meeting was held  
Lt Daniel Horn Moderator  
{ Eph<sup>m</sup> Plumer Juror Inf Court  
{ Benj<sup>a</sup> Lebby 2<sup>d</sup> Juror Sessions  
Province

Province of New Hampshire } May 16<sup>th</sup> 1772 Pursuant to Law Two Petit Jurors are to be drawn at the House of Mr Saml Ham in Dover the 25<sup>th</sup> Inst at 3 o'clock PM to serve at the Superior Court to be held by adjournment at Portsmouth in the Province the 9<sup>th</sup> of June Next Tho<sup>s</sup> W Walborn Town Clerk

Voted

On the above Notification a Meeting was held  
Capt Howard Henderson Mod<sup>r</sup> { Mr Saml Ham } Jurors

Whereas a Number of the Town of Dover have petitioned the Gov<sup>l</sup> Council & Assembly Praying that they may be Paid the Expence of Building a bridge in said Town & Whereas the Council & Assembly ordered the Select men of said Town to be served with a Copy thereof & the order of Court thereon (which was - that the Petitioners should be heard thereon on the fifth of June next) which has accordingly been Done Therefore You

Benj<sup>a</sup> Titcomb one of the Constables of the Town of Dover are hereby in His Majesty's Name Required to Warn the Qualified Voters of said Town to Meet at the Meeting house in Dover at four o'clock afternoon on Monday the first of said June then & there to chuse a Moderator & one or more Suitable Persons to appear at said Court & shew Cause why the Prayer of said Petition should not be granted & to act any other thing or things Relative thereto that may then be that Proper & make return of this Warrant with your doings thereon at or before said time to us  
Caleb Hodgdon I Select  
Joshua Wingate } Men  
Steph<sup>n</sup> Evans }

Dover May 29 1772

Dover June 1 1772 Pursuant to the Within Warrant I have Warned the Qualified Voters of said Town to Meet at at the Time & Place Within appointed I me Benj<sup>a</sup> Titcomb Constable At a Legal Meeting held at the Meeting house in Dover Warned By Benj<sup>a</sup> Titcomb June 1<sup>st</sup> 1772

1<sup>st</sup> Voted

St Joshua Wingate Moderator  
That the Town would not chuse any Agent to make answer to the Petition on Which the Meeting was called But  
That the Select men themselves appear at said Court & answer for the Town to said Petition & then the Meeting was dissolved by the Moderator  
Joshua Wingate

2<sup>d</sup> Voted

3<sup>d</sup> Voted

Province of New Hampshire } August 4<sup>th</sup> 1772 Pursuant to Law on Monday the 17<sup>th</sup> Inst at 5 o'clock PM at the house of Mr J<sup>n</sup> B<sup>n</sup> Hanson in Dover Two Grand & two Petit Jurors are to be Chosen & Drawn to serve at the Superior Court to be held at Exeter in said Province the first Tuesday of Sept<sup>r</sup> Next Tho<sup>s</sup> W Walborn Town Clerk

On the foregoing Notification a Meeting was held &  
Mr Tho<sup>s</sup> Tuttle Chosen Moderator { Mr Moses Ham } Chosen  
Mr Saml Emerson } Drawn { Capt J<sup>n</sup> Gage } Grand Jurors  
& Capt Caleb Hodgdon } Petit Jurors

Province of New Hampshire } Oct<sup>r</sup> 17 1772 Pursuant to Law on Monday the 26<sup>th</sup> Instant at 5 o'clock PM at the house of Mr J<sup>n</sup> B<sup>n</sup> Hanson in Dover two Petit Jurors are to be drawn one to serve at J<sup>n</sup> Inst<sup>r</sup> Court the first Tuesday in Nov<sup>r</sup> & the other at the Session the second Tuesday in Nov<sup>r</sup> both Courts to be held at Portsmouth in the Province Tho<sup>s</sup> W Walborn Town Clerk

On the foregoing Notification a Meeting was held &  
Colo J<sup>n</sup> Gage Chosen Mod<sup>r</sup> { Mr C<sup>t</sup> Ham Juror Inst<sup>r</sup> Court  
Mr Paul Horn Juror Session



Province of N

New Hampshire, Jan'y 9<sup>th</sup> 1773 On Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> Inst at 5 o'clock P.M. at the House of M<sup>r</sup> In<sup>o</sup> B<sup>m</sup> Hanson in Dover three Petit Jurors are to be Drawn two to serve at the Inferior Court the first Tuesday in Feb'y & the other at the Sessions the second Tuesday in Feb'y both Courts to be at Portsmouth in said Province Tho<sup>s</sup> W<sup>al</sup>dron Town Clerk

On the foregoing Notification M<sup>r</sup> Moses Ham was Chosen Moderator  
M<sup>r</sup> Tho<sup>s</sup> Shannon & Joseph Drew drawn to serve at Inf<sup>r</sup> Court } M<sup>r</sup> Tobias Hanson at Sessions

Province of N

New Hampshire, February 12<sup>th</sup> 1773 On Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> Instant 5 o'clock P.M. at the House of M<sup>r</sup> In<sup>o</sup> B<sup>m</sup> Hanson in Dover two Grand Jurors are to be Chosen & two Petit Jurors are to be Drawn to serve at his Maj<sup>ty</sup>'s Court to be holden at Portim<sup>o</sup> in said Province & first Tuesday in March Next

On the foregoing Notification Enj<sup>y</sup> In<sup>o</sup> B<sup>m</sup> Hanson was Chosen Moderator  
& M<sup>r</sup> Jacob Sawyer & Job Clement } Grand Jurors  
& M<sup>r</sup> Eph<sup>m</sup> Kembal & Enj<sup>y</sup> Andrew Torr } Petit Jurors

This is to Notifye the Legal Voters of the Town of Dover that their Annual Meeting for the Choice of Town officers as the Law Directs is to be Held on Monday the 29<sup>th</sup> of March Instant at 2 o'clock afternoon at the Friends Meetinghouse in said Town

Also to Vote & Act on the following articles as fully as the Town shall think Proper Viz

- First What money shall be raised for mending roads & what shall be allowed & pay for said service the present year
  - Secondly Whether the Town will have more Schools the ensuing year than the Law Directs to be under such regulation as the Town shall order
  - Thirdly Whether the Request of the Widow Sarah Titcomb to give her the Lot where the Blacksmiths Shop built by her husband stands shall be Granted
  - Fourthly Whether the Request of Otis Baker Esq<sup>r</sup> & others a Comitte for the County of Strafford Desiring the Town to Give or sell said County a lot in some convenient Place in said Towns Privilege for Building a County Goal & Necessary Appendages thereto shall be Granted
  - Fifthly Whether the Request of a Number of the Freeholders of said Town to have some of the Landing Told shall be granted
- Dover March 20<sup>th</sup> 1773 By order of the Select Men Tho<sup>s</sup> W<sup>al</sup>dron Town Clerk

At The Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Dover Legaly Warn'd & held at the Friends Meeting house in said Town March 29<sup>th</sup> 1773

- First Voted Thomas Westbrook Waldron Moderator
- Secondly Voted Tho<sup>s</sup> Westbrook Waldron Town Clerk
- Thirdly Voted That In<sup>o</sup> Gage Esq<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>r</sup> Joseph Hanson & John Wentworth Be a Comitte to draw an address which they presented & was voted to be sent to ~~him~~ also a petition to the G<sup>o</sup> Assembly Praying they will order the County of Rockingham to refund the money the County of

Wafford have paid into their County Treasury &c. Then the Meeting<sup>128</sup> was Voted to be adjourned to Monday the 5<sup>th</sup> of April Next at 1 O'clock P.M. & accordingly was adjourned by the Moderator

Dover March 29 1773 Pursuant to Law you Benj<sup>a</sup> Titcomb & John Heard Constables of said Town are hereby immediately Required in His Majesty's Name to Warn a Meeting of the Legal Voters of Dover to be held at the friend Meetinghouse in said Town at five O'clock afternoon this day then to Chose two Persons to serve as Petit Jurors at his Majesty's Superior Court to be holden at Portsmouth at 10 O'clock Tuesday the 30<sup>th</sup> Instant

Dover March 29<sup>th</sup> 1773 Pursuant to the Within Written We the Subscribers have Warned a down Meeting John Heard Constable

At a legal Meeting held by Virtue of the above Notification Colo<sup>d</sup> Ind Gage Esq<sup>r</sup> was Chosen Moderator & M<sup>rs</sup> Jonathan Bickford & Nathaniel Petit Jurors to attend accordingly when the Meeting was dissolved

Dover April 5 1773 The Annual Meeting being met according to Adjournment

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|-----------------|--|---|------------------------------|
| Voted           | Capt Caleb Hodgdon <sup>?</sup> Select   | 8 <sup>ly</sup> Mess <sup>rs</sup> William Watson <sup>?</sup> & John Conner          | Leasers of Leather           |
|                 | Capt Stephen Evers   | 9 <sup>ly</sup> Mess <sup>rs</sup> Stephen Evers                                      | Fence                        |
|                 | Capt Joshua Wingate  | Moses Roberts. Tho <sup>s</sup> Tuttle  | Viewers                      |
| 2 <sup>ly</sup> | Joseph Hanson & <sup>?</sup> auditors  | Silas Hanson &  |                              |
|                 | Tho <sup>s</sup> W <sup>al</sup> drion   | Rich <sup>d</sup> Kembal  |                              |
| 3 <sup>ly</sup> | Mess <sup>rs</sup> Moses Ham: Sam <sup>l</sup> } overseers<br>Heard & Ind Gage <sup>?</sup> } of doo <sup>r</sup>  | 10 <sup>ly</sup> M <sup>r</sup> Jacob Sawyer  | Leader of Weights & Measures |
| 4 <sup>ly</sup> | Mess <sup>rs</sup> Joshua Wingate <sup>?</sup> Lot Layers  | 11 <sup>ly</sup> Mess <sup>rs</sup> Ind Gage & Moses Ham <sup>?</sup>                 | Surveyors                    |
|                 | Joseph Hanson John Tuttle John Waldron & Andrew Torr   | Tho <sup>s</sup> Shannon & Benj <sup>a</sup> Pierce                                   | Lumber                       |
| 5 <sup>ly</sup> | M <sup>r</sup> Silas Tuttle for back ward Surveyors  | 12 <sup>ly</sup> Mess <sup>rs</sup> Moses Varney. John Tuttle & Clear Hodgdon         | Tytthingmen                  |
|                 | Capt Ind Gage <sup>?</sup> for 4 Centers of highway  |   |                              |
|                 | & Cap <sup>t</sup> Tho <sup>s</sup> Waldron North side   | 13 <sup>ly</sup> Capt John Gages  | Round Keeper                 |
| 6 <sup>ly</sup> | Mess <sup>rs</sup> Timothy Clements } field<br>Joseph Bickford <sup>?</sup> & Paul Welland. Will <sup>m</sup> Watson } Drivers<br>Ebr <sup>?</sup> Tuttle Sam <sup>l</sup> Evers<br>Wm <sup>m</sup> Horn & M <sup>r</sup> Clements | 14 <sup>ly</sup> Mess <sup>rs</sup> Isaac Young. Jacob Sawyer & Ind Gage <sup>?</sup> | Corders of Wood              |
| 7 <sup>ly</sup> | Mess <sup>rs</sup> Joseph Godsoe } hog<br>Sam <sup>l</sup> Picken Eph <sup>m</sup> Bickford James Young } Reeves<br>& Nath <sup>l</sup> Welland  | 15 <sup>ly</sup> M <sup>r</sup> John Tellely  | Inspector of Deers           |
|                 |  | 16 <sup>ly</sup> Mess <sup>rs</sup> Benj <sup>a</sup> Titcomb & Ind Heard             | Constables                   |

17<sup>ly</sup> Voted that each Poll shall work one Day on the high way & that all other Estate shall pay in Proportion that two Shilling & Day shall be allowd for a man & ~~the~~ like sum for a yoke of oxen & one Shilling & Day for a Cart & Wheel & one Shilling & Day for a plow

18<sup>ly</sup> Voted That one hundred pound be raised for Schools being more than the Law Direct under the direction of the select men & of masters to be approved by them

19<sup>ly</sup> Voted that they would not grant the request of the Widow Sarah Titcomb Deparing a lot as let forth in w<sup>o</sup> Notification

20<sup>ly</sup> Voted That they cannot Give a Place for a Goal as let forth in w<sup>o</sup> Notification but that the select Mem may sell to the said Comitte of County the place

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Voted that the select men pay to Benj<sup>a</sup> Gear four pounds ten shillings  
& six pence to pay Dr Alkinson for curing a wound he rec<sup>d</sup> in his knee  
& then the meeting was dissolved by the Moderator Tho<sup>s</sup> W Waldron

Strafford's June 11<sup>th</sup> 1773 five O'clock P.M. at the house of John  
Burnham Hanson three men are to be chosen & four drawn to serve as grand  
& petit jurors at the Court of General Sessions of the Peace the second Tuesday  
of July Next & three also to be drawn to serve as petit jurors at the Inferior  
Court the Thursday Next following said Tuesday both Courts to be held at Dover  
Tho<sup>s</sup> W Waldron Town Clerk

At a legal meeting by virtue of the above Notification

Voted Capt John Waldron Moderator

- 1<sup>st</sup> Messrs Timo Robinson & Natham Ham Kelle Grand Jurors for G<sup>d</sup> Sessions
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Messrs Paul Harford & Eben Horn, Isaac Nute & James Caley Drawn for Petit Jurors for G<sup>d</sup> Sessions
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Messrs Elea Hodgdon Zach Hanson & Wm Leighton Petit Jurors for Inferior Court
- & then the meeting was dissolved

Province of New Hamp<sup>r</sup> Strafford's Sept 24<sup>th</sup> 1773

The 4<sup>th</sup> of October next at 5 o'clock P.M. at the house of Mr B<sup>n</sup> Hanson  
three men are to be drawn to serve as petit jurors at the Court of G<sup>d</sup> Sessions  
the second Tuesday of said Oct<sup>r</sup> & also three others are to be drawn to serve as  
Petit Jurors at the Inferior Court the Thursday following both Courts to  
be held at Dover  
Tho<sup>s</sup> W Waldron Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the freeholders of Dover held at Mr B<sup>n</sup> Hanson's  
Oct<sup>r</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> 1773 for choice of Jury men

Voted Mr Michael Beade Moderator

- 1<sup>st</sup> Messrs Aaron Roberts, Tim Clement & Nathan Varney Drawn for Petit Jurors to  
serve at the G<sup>d</sup> Sessions
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Messrs Ichabod Horn, Wm Watson & Nick<sup>l</sup> Mikes Drawn for Petit Jurors Inf<sup>r</sup> Court

Province of New Hampshire } Strafford's December 9<sup>th</sup> 1773 The 27<sup>th</sup> Instant  
Strafford's } at five O'clock P.M. at the house of Mr John  
B<sup>n</sup> Hanson three men are to be drawn to serve  
as Petit Jurors at the Court of General Sessions the second Tuesday  
of January next and also three others are to be drawn to serve  
as Petit Jurors at the Inferior Court the Thursday following  
both Courts to be held at Dover  
Tho<sup>s</sup> W Waldron Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the freeholders &c of Dover for drawing Jury men held  
at Mr B<sup>n</sup> Hanson's Dec<sup>r</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> 1773

- Wm Hasey Chosen Moderator
- Messrs Heed Roberts, Wm Hasey & Moley Harlan Drawn to serve at Sessions
- Messrs Nathan Horn, Ezra Kembal & Timothy White Drawn to serve at Inf<sup>r</sup> Court

At a legal Meeting of the qualified Voters of the Town of Dover this Tenth Day of January 1774 convened at the Friends Meeting-house in said Town on purpose to consider of the Innovations attempted to be made on American Priviledges — — —  
Col. Odis Baker Esquire was chosen Moderator —

Although we deprecate every thing which in its infant motions tends to alienate the Affections which ought to subsist among the Subjects of the same King; yet, we cannot longer behold the Arts used to curtail the Priviledges purchased with the blood and Treasure of British America, and of New England in particular, for their Posterity without bearing our Testimony against them —

As these Colonies have ever recognized the Protestant Kings of Great Britain as their Lawful Sovereigns, and We in this Province the Man whom the King has pleased to send us as his Representative — We acknowledge, this Representative from our first formation into a Government has had a Negative Voice on all Bills proposed for Laws in the manner his Majesty has at home —

And as it doth not appear that any Parliaments have been parties to any Contracts made with the European Settlers in this once howling Wilderness, now become a pleasant field; — We look on our Rights too dearly bought, to admit them now as Taxmasters — since (by Laws as firm as the honor of crowned heads can make them, and which we have no Apprehension so good and gracious a King as we obey, will suffer to be abridged) we have Parliaments, our own — who always with the greatest Chearfulness furnished his Majesty such Aids as he has been pleased to require from time to time according to the Abilities of the People, and even beyond them; of which, none but themselves could be adequate Judges. —

Why the King's Subjects in Great Britain should frame Laws for his Subjects in America, rather than the reverse we cannot well conceive, as we do <sup>not</sup> admit it to be drawn from any Part made by our Ancestors, or from the Nature of the British Constitution, which makes Representation essential to Taxation — and this supposed Power of Parliaments for taxing America is quite novel, some few Instances for the better Regulation of Trade excepted, which no more prove their supposed Rights, than

The Sortious Entry of a Neighbour into the Infants field, does that of the Intruder - but if Superior Strength be the best plea, how would they relish the Alternative? which if political Arithmetick deceives not, advances with *Hasty Strides*; tho' nothing but downright Oppression will ever effect it.

Therefore Resolved first, That any Attempt to take the Property of any of the Kings Subjects for any purpose whatever where they are not represented, is an Infracti<sup>o</sup>n of the English Constitution; and manifestly tends as well to destroy it, as the Subjects private Property, of which, recent proofs are plenty.

Resolved 2.<sup>d</sup> That We, and our American Brethren, are the liege People of King George the Third, and therefore have as full, and ample a claim, to all the Priviledges & Immunities of Englishmen as any of his Subjects three Thousand Miles distant - the Truth of which, our Demeanour clearly evinces.

Resolved 3.<sup>d</sup> That the Parliaments in Britain by suffering the East India Company to send us, their Seas Subject, to a Duty on landing, have in a Measure testified a Disregard to the Interests of Americans, whose liberal Services ill deserve such ungenerous Treatment.

Resolved 4.<sup>th</sup> That we are of Opinion that any seeming Supineness of this Province in these very interesting matters, hath proceeded from a Consideration of their Smallness among their Brethren, rather than from any insensibility of impending Evils.

Resolved 5.<sup>th</sup> That this Town approves the general Exertions, and noble Struggles, made by the opulent Colonies through the Continent, for preventing so fatal a catastrophe as is implied in Taxation without Representation viz. Slavery, than which, to a generous Mind, Death is more Eligible.

Resolved 6.<sup>th</sup> That We are, and always will be ready in every constitutional Way, to give all the Weight in our

Power

Power to avert, so dire a calamity  
 Resolved 7<sup>th</sup> That a dread of being enslaved Ourselves, and  
 of transmitting the Chains to our Posterity (by which we  
 should justly merit their Curses) is the principal Induce-  
 ment to these Measures.

And WHEREAS our house of Commons have a  
 Committee for corresponding with those of the several  
 Colonies on these matters, and Committees of the several  
 Towns in this Government, to correspond with each other  
 at the necessary times, may be subservient to the common  
 Cause. Therefore resolved that a Committee to consist  
 of five persons be chosen for that purpose.

Voted, that Col.<sup>o</sup> Otis Baker Esq., Capt. Caleb Hodgdon,  
 Capt. Stephen Evans, Capt. Joshua Wingate, & John  
 Wentworth Jun.<sup>r</sup> or either three of them be the Committee  
 of Correspondence for this Town.

Voted, that the proceedings of this Meeting be entered in the  
 Records of this Town and that an attested Copy thereof,  
 be sent to the Committee of Correspondence at Portsmouth  
 to assure them, and all concerned, that our Hearts are knit  
 with those, who wish the Deal (as it is constitutionally fixed)  
 of our most gracious Sovereign, and all his numerous Sub-  
 jects.

These Votes and Resolves after being maturely considered were  
 unanimously passed by the Voters present at said Meeting  
 after which, followed a Dissolution.

Otis Baker Moderator

Recorded agreeable to the proceedings at said  
 meeting  
 W. John Wentworth Jun.<sup>r</sup> Clerk & Sec.

At a Meeting of the Freeholders (and other Inhabitants qualified by Law to vote for Representatives) of Dover and Madbury holden at the Friends Meetinghouse in Dover on Tuesday the Eighth Day of February AD 1774 to choose some suitable person to represent said Dover and Madbury in the General Assembly sitting at Portsmouth in the County of Rockingham in the Room of Col. John Gage Esq. deceased.

Voted 1<sup>st</sup> that Col. Otis Baker Esq. be Moderator of said Meeting

Voted 2<sup>d</sup> that John Wentworth Junr. be Clerk of said Meeting in the Room of the Hon.ble Tho. W. Waldron Esq. Clerk of the said Town whose Indisposition prevents his Attendance.

of Dover

Voted 3<sup>d</sup> that Capt. John Waldron be chosen to represent said Dover & Madbury in the General Assembly sitting at Portsmouth in the County of Rockingham in the Room of Col. John Gage Esq. deceased

Voted 4<sup>th</sup> that this Meeting be dissolved.

Recorded agreeable to the proceedings of said Meeting  
J<sup>r</sup>. John Wentworth Junr. Clerk pro. Tem.

Province of New Hampshire Pursuant to a Precept from the High Sheriff of Strafford County for the Choice of two Representatives to the free holders of Dover & Madbury qualified by law to vote in the Choice of Representatives Notice is hereby Given that a Public Town Meeting of said Dover & Madbury is to be held at the Friends Meetinghouse in said Dover on Monday the fourth Day of April Next At ten o'clock in the fore noon then & there to chuse two suitable Persons to represent the Town of Dover in a general Assembly to be convened & held at Portsmouth in & for said Province on the seventh Day of said April at ten o'clock before noon & to die in Diem During their Session or Sessions

Dover March 19<sup>th</sup> 1774

By order of the select Men  
Tho. W. Waldron Town Clerk

At a Legal Meeting Pursuant to the fore going Notification  
first Voted Capt Tho. W. Waldron Moderator  
secondly Voted Capt John Waldron a Representative for said town  
thirdly Voted Capt Caleb Hodgdon a Representative for said town  
then the Moderator dissolved the Meeting

This is to Notify the Legal Voters of the Town of Dover that their Annual Meeting for the Choice of town officers as the law Directs is to be held on Monday the 28<sup>th</sup> Day of March Instant at one o'clock afternoon at the Parish Meetinghouse in said Town also to Vote & act on the following Articles as fully as the Town shall think Proper Viz

first

What money shall be raised for mending highways this Present year & What shall be allowed to Day for said Service

13<sup>th</sup> Whether the Town Will have more School the Enjuing year than the Law directs  
 14<sup>th</sup> to be under such Regulation as the Town shall order  
 15<sup>th</sup> Whereas the Select men raised forty pounds the year past whether the same shall be paid to James Chesley & others as a comitte that built the upper bridge to Call in the Town  
 16<sup>th</sup> Whereas the overseers of the Poor are apprehensive the Widow Catharine Foss a poor Person of somersworth may be chargeable to us therefore to take such measures as may be thot proper for preventing the same By order of the select men Tho<sup>s</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Waldron Town Clerk  
 March 19<sup>th</sup> 1774

Dover March 19 1774

Province of N<sup>w</sup> Hampshire } At the Annual meeting the 28<sup>th</sup> Instant two men are to be Drawn  
 Strafford Co } to serve as Petit Jurors at the Sessions the Second Tuesday of April Next also three  
 following both Courts to be held at Durham in said County Tho<sup>s</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Waldron T<sup>own</sup> Clerk

At the Annual Town meeting Legaly Warned & held at the Parish Meeting-house in Dover March 28<sup>th</sup> 1774

Voted  
 1<sup>st</sup> Thomas Westbrook Waldron Moderator  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Tho<sup>s</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Waldron Town Clerk

3<sup>rd</sup> Tho<sup>s</sup> Varney & James Guppy were Drawn to serve as Jurors at Sessions  
 & W<sup>m</sup> Clement, Paul Varney & Joshua Perkins to serve as Jurors at Inferior Court  
 Then the Meeting was Voted to be adjourned to Monday y<sup>e</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> of April Next at 2 o'clock P.M. & was accordingly Adjourned by Tho<sup>s</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Waldron Moderator

Met according to Adjournment April 11 1774

- 1<sup>st</sup> Voted Capt Caleb Hodgdon W<sup>m</sup> John Kille & Enj<sup>s</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Heard Select Men  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Tho<sup>s</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Waldron & Joseph Hanson auditors  
 3<sup>rd</sup> John Gage & Moses Ham overseers of the Poor  
 4<sup>th</sup> Joshua Wingate Joseph Hanson John Waldron Andrew Torr and Amos Peaslee Lot Layers -  
 5<sup>th</sup> Amos Peaslee Moses Wingate W<sup>m</sup> John Hanson John Hayes John B<sup>m</sup> Hanson & Solomon Varney Surveyors of Highways  
 6<sup>th</sup> Timothy Clements Joseph Bickford W<sup>m</sup> Paul Welland William Watson - Eben Tuttle Sam<sup>l</sup> Evans Serj<sup>t</sup> William Horn & W<sup>m</sup> Clements Field Drivers  
 7<sup>th</sup> Moses Rand Thomas Horn Ich<sup>d</sup> Varney Anthony Hanson & Stephen Bunker Hog Reeves  
 8<sup>th</sup> William Watson & John Conner Sealers of Leather  
 9<sup>th</sup> Benjamin Titcomb & John Heard Constables  
 10<sup>th</sup> Moses Roberts Tho<sup>s</sup> Tuttle Silas Hanson Rich<sup>d</sup> Kembal & W<sup>m</sup> Ham fence Viewers  
 11<sup>th</sup> Jacob Sawyer Sealer of Weights & Measures  
 12<sup>th</sup> John Gage & Moses Ham the only Surveyors of Lumber  
 To give Bond to the select men immediately to defray the Expence of Collecting the Province County & Town Taxes  
 13<sup>th</sup> Jonathan Bickford Zaccheus Purinton In<sup>d</sup> Conner Tything Men  
 14<sup>th</sup> In<sup>d</sup> Gage Pound-keeper  
 15<sup>th</sup> Isaac Young Jacob Sawyer & John Gage Corders & Measures of Wood



135<sup>ly</sup> Ebenezer Horn Inspector of Deer

17<sup>th</sup> Voted that a single Head work one Day on the highways & the rest of the Rateable Estate in proportion & that one Milling Day be allowed for a plow & one for a cart

18<sup>th</sup> Voted that there be no more Schools this year than the Law Directs

19<sup>th</sup> Voted That the fourty pounds raised by the select men shall not be paid to James Cheley & others a Comitte that built the upper bridge in Dover

20<sup>th</sup> Voted That Capt Joshua Wingate be an Agent to enquire into the matter relative to the Widow Catharine Ross which was inserted in the Notification for the meeting & that he make report thereof to the select men as soon as may be That such measures may be taken by him & them as they shall <sup>think</sup> fit at the Expense of the Town

Then the Meeting was Dissolved &c

Province of <sup>the</sup> Strafford Is May 23<sup>rd</sup> 1774 The 23<sup>rd</sup> Instant at Collock P.M.  
New Hamp<sup>sh</sup> at the House of Mr John B<sup>en</sup> Hanjon in Dover three men are to be chosen to serve as grand Jurors & four men are to be drawn to serve as petit Jurors at his Majesty's Superior Court to be held at said Dover on Tuesday the 31<sup>st</sup> Instant  
Thos W Waldron Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the freeholders &c of Dover held at the house of Mr John B<sup>en</sup> Hanjon May 22<sup>nd</sup> 1774 for the choice of Jury men for said Superior Court  
Paul Pinkham Moderator

Voted

2<sup>ly</sup> Ich Hayes, Siml Robinson Lt Thos Young Chosen Grand Jurors

3<sup>ly</sup> John Mejerve Capt Stephen Evans Eph<sup>m</sup> Ham & Francis Drew draw for Petit Jurors

Province of New Hamp<sup>sh</sup> June 25<sup>th</sup> 1774 The 4<sup>th</sup> Day of July Next at Collock  
Strafford Is - - - P.M. at the house of Mr John B<sup>en</sup> Hanjon in Dover three men are to be chosen to serve as grand Jurors at the Session the Second Tuesday in said July three men are to be drawn to serve as petit Jurors at said Session & three men are to be drawn to serve at the Inferior Court the Thursday following said Court to be held at said Dover  
Thos W Waldron Town Clerk

At a legal meeting held on the above Notification

Voted

Lt Thos Young Moderator

& chose Ezekiel Hayes, Elijah Bunker & Joshua Varney Grand Jurors

Miles Evans, John Conner & Jedediah Varney drawn as Petit Jurors

& Sol<sup>n</sup> Varney, Joseph Hanjon<sup>sr</sup> & Thos Hanjon draw Petit Jurors to Inferior Court

### To The Town of Dover

Whereas the Colonies in General, upon this Continent, think it highly expedient & necessary, in the present critical & alarming situation of their public Affairs, that Delegates should be appointed by & in behalf of each, to join a general CONGRESS, proposed to meet at Philadelphia the first Day of September next, to devise & consider what measures will be most adviseable to be taken & pursued by all the Colonies for the Establishment of their Rights & Liberties, upon a just & solid Foundation & for the Restoration of Union & Harmony between the Mother Country & the Colonies —  
And whereas the Members of the late House of Representatives for this Province, now met, to deliberate upon the Subject, are unammously

Unanimously of Opinion, that it is Expedient & necessary, for this Province, to join  
 said Congress for the above Purpose, - & recommend it to the Towns in this Province  
 respectively, To chuse & impower one, or more Persons, in their Behalf, to meet  
 at Exeter the 21<sup>st</sup> Day of this Instant, at ten of the Clock in the Forenoon, to join in the  
 Choice of Delegates for the General Congress. - In order to effect the desired End, it is  
 necessary that each Town, as soon as may be, contribute their Proportion of the Expence  
 of sending: - It is therefore desired, that the same may be raised by Subscription, or  
 otherwise, if convenient, sent by the Person by your Town appointed; your  
 Proportion of which is six pounds Ten shillings Lawful Money, the Utility of which  
 measure is so Apparent we doubt not your ready Compliance with this Proposal

Portsmouth July 6<sup>th</sup> 1774 John Wentworth Chairman

P.S. Considering the Distressing situation of our Public Affairs Thursday the 14<sup>th</sup>  
 Instant is recommended to be kept as a day of Fasting, Humiliation & Prayer  
 thro' this Province -

In Consequence of the Above Recommendation the freeholders & Inhab-  
 itants of the Town of Dover by Law qualified to Vote in Public Town meetings  
 are hereby Notified That a Town Meeting is to be held on Monday the 18<sup>th</sup>  
 Instant at the Meetinghouse in Dover at 4 o'clock Afternoon with full  
 Power to act on the above as the Town then shall think Proper

Dover July 9<sup>th</sup> 1774

Caleb Hodgdon } Select Men  
 Samuel Heard } of Dover  
 John Kielle }

Province of New Hampshire }  
 Strafford } At a Public Town meeting legally warned & held at Dover the  
 18<sup>th</sup> July 1774

1<sup>st</sup> Voted Capt Stephen Evans Moderator

2<sup>d</sup> Voted That Capt John Walron Capt Caleb Hodgdon Capt Joshua Wingate Capt  
 Stephen Evans & Mr Nathaniel Cooper Be a Comitte they or the Major  
 Part of them to Represent said Town of Dover at a meeting to be held at Exeter  
 in said Province y 21<sup>st</sup> Instant for Appointing Delegates to Join in a  
 General Congress of the Province for Considering of & Advising to the most  
 Conciliating method of Establishing their right & harmony among all the  
 Subjects of our gracious Sovereign which Meeting is Proposed to be held  
 first Sep<sup>r</sup> Next at Philadelphia

3<sup>d</sup> Voted That the Select Men of said Dover Advance the six pound ten shilling  
 requested (as our part of the expence) to such Person or Persons as may be appoin-  
 ted to receive the same Provided a Person or Persons are chosen & go to the  
 Intended Congress Then the meeting was dissolved by the Moderator

Strafford's Notice is hereby Given that there will be a Public Town  
 Meeting held at the meeting house in Dover on Monday the fifth  
 Day of Sep<sup>r</sup> Next at two o'clock in the afternoon

1<sup>st</sup> To See if the Town will impower the Select men to hire a Collector  
 to Collect the Taxes for this Present Year

2<sup>d</sup> To See if the Town will build Bellamins Bank River Bridge so  
 Called this Year or act any thing Relating thereto as the Town  
 shall think Proper when Convened together

3<sup>d</sup> To See if the Town will Hear the Request of Capt Stephen Evans

& others to see if they will Vote to sell some part of the Landing called Cochecho Landing such as is that not Necessary for a landing & if Voted then to Chuse a Committee & Impower them to Make a Conveyance of such Lots as the Town shall think can be best spared & not discommode the Landing & if said Committee sells any of the Landing the money to be Paid at the signing of the deed & said Committee is to return said Money to the select men of said Dover for the time being or their Successors the money is to be appropriated to the use of said Town By order of the select men  
 Dover Aug 21<sup>th</sup> 1774  
 Tho<sup>s</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Waldron Town Clerk

To Capt Caleb Hodgdon M<sup>r</sup> John Kielle & En<sup>s</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Hean Select men of the Town of Dover

Gentlemen We the subscribers Freeholders & Inhabitants of the Town of Dover hearing you are about to call a Meeting of said Town to Transact Sundry Matters of Moment and Necessity Request That in the Notification for calling said Meeting you insert the following Article Viz  
 To see if the Town will consent to sell any part of what is commonly called Dover Landing & if Voted to appoint a Committee of three or more Judicious Persons to make a Legal Conveyance of so much thereof & in such Places as they think unnecessary for the Present Purpose or take any other Measures relative thereto as the Town when assembled shall deem most conducive to its Interest? In doing whereof you will much oblige us

Dover Aug 22 1774	Eph <sup>m</sup> Ham	Step <sup>n</sup> Evans
	Jona Gage	Joshua Wingate
	Moses Gage	Moses Wingate
	Moses Varney	Sam <sup>l</sup> Ham
	Thomas Tuttle	James Lebbey

At a Legal Town Meeting held at the Meeting house in Dover on Monday Sept 5<sup>th</sup> 1774

Voted Sec<sup>y</sup> Otis Baker Esq<sup>r</sup> Moderator

That the select men set out the gathering the Taxes of the Town Province & County to the Lowest bidder this Present Year Taking bonds to their Satisfaction for the Performance of said Service as the Warrant shall Direct

3<sup>ly</sup> Voted That Bellamins Bank Bridge be built this Present Year That the same be Built by Labour at two Millings a Day for Common Labour & Oxen & all Persons work in proportion

Proportion to their rates if they choose so to do  
That the Piers be white oak & the String Piece be good Pine to  
The Satisfaction of the Committee who shall have the building the same  
& that what Carpenters said Committee shall employ be allowed three  
Shillings & Day

44 Voted that Capt Caleb Hodgdon & Mess<sup>rs</sup> James Varney & Benj<sup>a</sup> Titcomb  
be the Committee to build said bridge & that said Committee shall have  
three Shillings & Day provided they Labour

54 Then the foregoing Votes about the Bridge at Bellaminy bank  
River were reconsidered & the whole set aside

64 Voted Mess<sup>rs</sup> Caleb Hodgdon James Varney Benj<sup>a</sup> Titcomb Joshua  
Wingate & John Hanson be a Committee to make a Plan of said  
Bridge & of the kind of timber that it shall be built with  
That they let out the same on Thursday Next to the Lowest  
Bidder That they engage for the Town to pay the money  
January Next That the Person or Persons who take said  
Bridge finish the same to the acceptance of said Committee by the  
20<sup>th</sup> of October & give bond therefor & said Committee shall sell  
the old Bridge & render account thereof

74 Voted (on the Petition to sell Part of the Landing) That  
some of said Landing be sold  
That Mess<sup>rs</sup> Stephen Evans Joshua Wingate Caleb Hodgdon  
Thos Tuttle & W<sup>m</sup> Waldron be a Committee & that said Comi-  
-tee Lot out such Part of the Landing as they shall think  
proper to be sold & make a return of the same to the Town  
at the adjournment of this Meeting

John Gage Esq<sup>r</sup> enters his Dissent to the Votes relative to the  
Landing at this meeting also Mess<sup>rs</sup> Nehemiah Kernal Joseph  
Hanson Ichabod Hayes & Elijah Tuttle enter their Dissents

Then the Meeting was adjourn'd to Monday 4<sup>th</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> Instant  
by a Vote of the Town at 2 o'clock P.M.

Voted Meet according to Adjournment Nov<sup>r</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> 1774  
That whereas Capt Caleb Hodgdon Capt Joshua Wingate & W<sup>m</sup> Benjamin  
Titcomb who were of the Committee to let out the Bridge at  
Bellaminy bank river have taken the same to build therefore  
that they be dismissed from being of the Committee to receive said bridge  
when done & that John Waldron the third be added to John Hanson  
& James Varney to receive the Bond & give the Security in behalf  
of the Town heretofore mentioned & that said Committee receive the  
Plan by which said Bridge is let out as a Guide to them for  
receiving said bridge when offered

The Committee appointed to Lot out Part of the Landing to sell  
Presented

Presented a Plan of Eight Lots, that they had Laid out on which Voted That the Eight Lots In said Plan Exhibited be sold

Voted

That a Committee be appointed to Sell said Lots & that Capt John Waldron Capt Caleb Hodgdon & Capt Stephen Evans be the Committee to Sell said Lots at Public Vendue

Meeting Adjourned by Vote for half an hour Meet according to adjournment  
Voted That said Committee Sell said Lots by the first December That a fourth be Paid Down to the Select men & the other three fourths at six months when the Purchaser shall Receive a Deed or the fourth Paid be forfeited for the use of the Town Then the Meeting Was Dissolved by the Moderator

Dover Sep<sup>r</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> 1774 To the Select Men of the Town of Dover We the Subscribers & Inhabitants of the Town of Dover Desire that you would have a New Notification writ & insert a Clause in it to See if the Town will reconsider That Vote they Passed some time ago that they would not Pay the builders of the upper Bridge the Money that the Legislative body of this Province has Voted & Passed into an Act for the same to be Paid as other Town Charges & as there is time enough to put it in as there's a Meeting on adjournment on Monday the 19<sup>th</sup> Day of this Instant To be held we think it would be very Necessary that there be a Notification Put up for the same & Vote that the Town pay the forty Pound lawful money that was Voted & have no more dispute about it for the sum is not so Great to make so much dispute about & otherwise is thought that the Committee will sue the Town the Next Court & we have reason to think it will be for the benefit of the Town to Settle this matter as soon as may be so we as in duty bound shall ever Pray

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| Richard Kemball  | James Chesley  |
| Joseph Waldron   | John Conner    |
| Erra Kemball     | Timothy Varney |
| John Varney      | Isaac Roberts  |
| Nehemiah Kemball | Thos Varney    |

Notice is hereby Given to the Freeholders & Inhabitants of the Town of Dover That on Monday the 19<sup>th</sup> Instant a Town meeting is to be held at four o'clock afternoon at the Meetinghouse in said Town to act on the above recited Petetion as the Town shall think Proper

Dover Sep<sup>r</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> 1774

By order of the Select men  
Thos W Waldron Town Clerk  
at

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Voted  
2<sup>ly</sup>

At a legal meeting held at the meeting house in Dover Sep<sup>r</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> 1774 -  
Capt John Gage Moderator  
Put to Vote Whether the Town will Reconsider a Vote of the Town  
Not to Pay forty Pounds ordered to be Paid by a Law of the Province to  
the builders of the upper Bridge which passed in the Negative  
Then The Meeting was Dissolved by the Moderator

Province of } Dover Sep<sup>r</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> 1774 The Third Day Of October Next at 5  
New Hamp<sup>sh</sup> } o'clock P.M. at the House of Mr John B<sup>n</sup> Hanjon three  
Strafford's } men are to be Drawn to serve as petit Jurors at the Session  
the second Tuesday of said October & three men are to be Drawn to serve as  
Petit Jurors at the Inferior Court the Thursday following both Courts to be held  
at said Dover  
Thos<sup>s</sup> Whitwell Town Clerk

Voted  
At a Legal Meeting of the freeholders of Dover held at the house of Mr W<sup>m</sup> B<sup>n</sup> Hanjon October 3<sup>rd</sup> 1774  
Rich<sup>d</sup> Waldron Moderator  
Jno Clements } Draw Jurors  
Winthrop Wallon } for 4 Sessions  
John Hurford }  
Ambrose Bampton } Drawn Jurors for  
James Varney } the Inferior Court  
Nathl Ham  
Meeting Dissolved by a Moderator

Whereas the Boston Port Bill so called by its Operation there prevents  
the merchants & others from Employing the Labouring Poor as usual & as said bill  
appears calculated to Strip the Americans of their Civil rights many Donations  
have been sent & are sending for the support of said Poor & it having been  
recommended by the general Opinion of the Provincial Congress held at  
Exeter that each Town should follow those laudable Examples

Therefore this is to Notify the freeholders & Inhabitants of the Town  
of Dover that on Monday the 7<sup>th</sup> Day of November next Precisely at one  
o'clock afternoon a Public Town Meeting is to be held at the Meeting  
house in Dover that after Joint Consultation thereon such a sum of Money  
in Money &att Cattle or Sheep as shall be thot Proper may be Voted & sent  
to be distributed among said Poor by a Comitte the Town of Boston hath  
for that Purpose But that in case the Town in General should not approve  
of the foregoing Mode of shewing our Affection at this Important Crisis to  
that distress'd People then the Notification gives further & full Power for  
raising something for their relief in any other mode that may be  
adopted by the Town

Dover October 29<sup>th</sup> 1774 -

Caleb Hodgdon } Select  
Samuel Heard } men  
John Kielle }

At a Public Town meeting held Nov<sup>r</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> 1774 by Virtue of the foregoing  
Notification Capt Stephen Evans was Chosen Moderator

Voted  
Voted  
That the Town will give something on the foregoing Notification  
That the Meeting be adjourn'd to Monday 2 o'clock P.M. the 14<sup>th</sup> Instant  
& that the Clerk Notify the same at the Meeting house Doors Next Sunday  
On the above Notification a Meeting was Held a Moderator Chosen & after some  
Votes the Meeting was Legally adjourn'd to be held the 14<sup>th</sup> Instant at 2 o'clock P.M.  
at the Meeting house aforesaid Where all Concern'd are desired to attend

Dover Nov<sup>r</sup> 7 1774 -

Thos<sup>s</sup> Whitwell Town Clerk

Nov<sup>r</sup> 14 1774

Nov<sup>r</sup> 14 1774 Meet according to adjournment

A Vote being tryed whether the Town would Give any thing by Way of Tax It pass'd In the Negative

Secondly

Noted that a subscription be tryed That Mess<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Gage M<sup>r</sup> Waldron & James Leiby be a Comitted To Procure such Subscriptions as they can to be Paid to a Comitte that may be appointed to Receive the same at the adjournment of the Meeting

Capt John Gage to take all between the two Rivers

Capt J<sup>r</sup> Waldron all North Side Cochecho River

& M<sup>r</sup> James Leiby all the rest of the Town

& That said Comitte return Lists of what is subscribed at the adjournment of said meeting Which was by Vote to Monday the 28<sup>th</sup> Instant at 2 o'clock afternoon to said Meetinghouse

November 28<sup>th</sup> 1774 Meet according to adjournment

& Voted that the Comitte Employ'd to Get what mony they could subscribed Continue their Subscription & Collect the Whole by the adjournment of the meeting

Then Voted that the meeting be adjourn'd to the 12<sup>th</sup> of December Next & the moderator adjourn'd it accordingly to 2 o'clock P.M.

December the 12<sup>th</sup> 1774 Meet according to adjournment

Voted

That Captain Gage collect through the Whole Town & that the whole mony that has or shall be collected be brot at the adjou<sup>n</sup> of the Meeting by Gage Waldron & Leiby

Then the meeting was adjourn'd by Vote to the 26<sup>th</sup> Instant at 2 o'clock P.M.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 26 1774 Meet according to adjournment

& adjourn'd by Vote of the Town to Monday 2<sup>d</sup> January 1775 collected at 1 o'clock P.M. when the Collectors are to have what they have ready for the Towns order

Jan<sup>y</sup> 2 1775 Meet according to adjournment & adjourn'd to Monday Jan<sup>y</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> at 2 o'clock P.M. & the Collectors then to bring the mony collected for the order of the town

Jan<sup>y</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> 16 1775 at a public Town Meeting held at the meetinghouse In Dover by adjournment the Clerk not Present

Voted

John B<sup>r</sup> Hanson clerk Pro Tempore

Secondly

That the meeting be further adjourn'd to Monday the 30<sup>th</sup> Instant at 2 o'clock P.M.

thirdly

That the Town Clerk Notify the same at Each meeting house & then it was adjourn'd accordingly John B<sup>r</sup> Hanson

The Town meeting Held at the Meetinghouse In Dover the 16<sup>th</sup> Instant is further adjorn'd to Monday the thirtieth Instant at two o'clock P.M. of which this Notice<sup>is given</sup> to the Concerned by Direction of the meeting  
Dover Jan<sup>y</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> 1775  
Tho<sup>s</sup> W<sup>al</sup> Waldron Town Cl<sup>k</sup>

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Jan 30 1775 Meet according to adjournment —

Voted

The Collectors of the money for the sufferers at Boston Lay account of what they have collected before the Committee of Correspondence for inspection & that the whole money be delivered to Capt Gage to be by him carried to the Committee at Boston with a letter from our Committee to them & that it be sent at or before the 20th of Feb<sup>y</sup> next & then the meeting was dissolved by the moderator

Notice is hereby given to the freeholders & Inhabitants of the Town of Dover that on Monday the 26<sup>th</sup> Instant at 12 o'clock at noon a Town meeting is to be held at the meeting house in said Dover

first

To Choose an agent or agents to defend the Town against a suit commenced by James Chesley & others against them for forty Pounds or Vote to pay the same as the Town shall think proper

secondly

To appoint Deputys to meet at Exeter the 25<sup>th</sup> of Jan<sup>y</sup> Next to Choose Delegates to Represent this Province at a Continental Congress intended to be held at Philadelphia the tenth of May Next & to Impower such Deputys to join in appointing a Committee to proportion the sum each Town ought to pay towards sending such Delegates

also to choose a Committee to see that those things recommended by the Late Continental Congress be adhered to among us  
Dover Dec<sup>r</sup> 16 1774 By order of the Select Men Tho<sup>s</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Waldron Town Clerk

Whereas the American Continental Congress have recommended another to be held on the tenth day of May next — We The Provincial Committee conceiving it highly Expedient & Necessary to send Delegates for this Province to the Congress proposed to be held then recommend it to the respective Towns in this Government to appoint deputies in their behalf to meet at Exeter on Wednesday the 25<sup>th</sup> day of January Next for the choice of Delegates to Represent this Province at such intended Congress & also to empower such Deputys when so met to choose a Committee of their body to proportion the sum each Town ought to pay toward sending such Delegates

Nov<sup>r</sup> 30 1774 By order of the Committee I Wentworth Chairman  
Pursuant to the above Notification at a Public Town Meeting held at the meeting house in Dover Dec<sup>r</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> 1774

Capt Shadrach Hodgdon Chosen Moderator Then  
That Mess<sup>rs</sup> Otis Baker John Wentworth w<sup>th</sup> Stephen Evans John Gage & Caleb Hodgdon be a Committee to Prepare Instructions for a Committee that may be Chosen to Carry into Execution the association of the Continental Congress in this town so far as it relates thereto

Voted

Voted



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Voted

That Mess<sup>rs</sup> Ollis Baker Shadrach Hodgdon Joshua Wingate Caleb Hodgdon  
Theophilus Dame John Wentworth Jun<sup>r</sup> Stephen Evens John Waldron's & Joseph  
Hanson be a committee to consult on & Report what think will be best for the  
Town to do relating to the Bridge affair  
& then the meeting was adjourned to Monday the second of Jan<sup>y</sup>  
Next by a vote at 2 o'clock P.M.

As nothing Conclusive has been Acted on the Above Notification  
Therefore the Concerned are hereby Notified to attend the Adjournment  
which is to Monday the second Jan<sup>y</sup> 1775 at 2 o'clock P.M. by order  
of the Moderator Dated 26<sup>th</sup> 1774 Tho<sup>s</sup> Waldron Town Clerk

Dover Jan<sup>y</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> 1775 Town Met According to Adjournment  
& The Committee appointed on the Bridge affair bro't a report  
which was read & the Committee who had sued refused to take the  
Thirty Pounds said Report mentioned which report was not filed  
Then the Moderator put it to vote whether the town would  
Choose agents to defend The Town Against the Action Comenced  
by Chesley & others & it passed in the Affirmative  
Then Voted Capt Joshua Wingate & Capt Stephen Evens  
agents for said Town with the Towns full Power to defend them  
against said Action Comenced as aforesaid

Voted

That Delegates be sent to Exeter

That Mess<sup>rs</sup> Caleb Hodgdon John Waldron's Joshua Wingate  
Stephen Evens & Nath<sup>l</sup> Cooper be said Delegates with full Power  
to act for this Town or any three of them

The Designs of the Continental Congress holden at Philadelphia  
being so humane & benevolent the Result of their Proceedings so  
salutary & Effective as justly to attract the Notice of the Millions  
of freemen in America This Town on mature Consultation are  
fully convinced that nothing (under Heaven) will so evidently  
tend to preserve the Rights of Americans or frustrate the attempts  
already made for their Destruction as carrying the same into  
full Execution for which Purpose

Voted

That Mess<sup>rs</sup> Ollis Baker Shadrach Hodgdon Stephen Evens Joshua  
Wingate John Waldron's Caleb Hodgdon John Wentworth Jun<sup>r</sup> John  
Kielle & John Gage be a Committee

Voted

They have the following Instruction Viz

1<sup>st</sup>

We Expect that to the utmost of your Power you Carefully intend  
the Preservation of Peace & good order In the Town so far as the  
same may be endangered by a disunion of sentiment Relative to  
Political Matters

1<sup>ly</sup> We Enjoin you that by Every Lawful Means you see the Recommendations  
2<sup>ly</sup> & Proceedings of the Continental Congress strictly Complied with by  
the Inhabitants of this town so far as We are therein Concerned  
3<sup>ly</sup> as Examples you are to encourage Every Kind of Temperance Fruga-  
lity Industry & Economy & to Discountenance Every Species of Vice Immor-  
-ality & Profaness Neither to use any sort of Gaming or unlawful Diversions  
your selves nor suffer it to be Done within your Knowledge without  
intimating your own Dislike & the Displeasure of the town therat

4<sup>ly</sup> Whereas Hawkers Pedlars & Petty Chapmen are continually strolling  
through the Country with good wares & Merchandize (much of which  
was undoubtedly forwarded by the Enemies of America) In order to vend the  
same to the great Hurt & Decay of Trade & in defiance of a good &  
wholsome Law of this Government You are therefore not knowingly  
to harbour conceal or Entertain any one of them nor Purchase any of  
their Wares nor permit any within your Knowledge to Do it & in case  
any Taverner Innholder or Retailer within this town after being duly  
informed thereof shall be knowingly guilty of either the Acts in this Instruct-  
ion mentioned - you are to take every Legal measure to prevent their  
ever hereafter being Licenced by the Court of Sessions either as Taverners  
or Retailors -

5<sup>ly</sup> Notwithstanding any Persons may be so Daring & hardy as to counter  
act the sence of the town expressed in these Instructions you are by  
no means to suffer any Insult or abuse to be offered to either their  
Persons or Estates but use your utmost Endeavours to prevent the same

6<sup>ly</sup> Of all Breaches of these Instructions you are as soon as may be  
to Inform your Neighbours & the select men of the town that  
whenever it may be necessary The Town may be Convened in  
order to Consult & advise thereon  
after the fore going Instructions were Voted the Meeting  
was Dissolved by ye Moderator

Straffords at m<sup>r</sup> Hanfory Tavern Indover at 4 o'clock P<sup>m</sup> the  
2<sup>d</sup> of Jan<sup>y</sup> 1775 Three men to be Drawn for Jurors at a County  
Sessions the second Tuesday of said Jan<sup>y</sup> & three more for Jurors at the  
Inferior Court the thursday following Dec<sup>r</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> 1774  
Sho<sup>t</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Waldron & C<sup>o</sup> h

at a Legal Meeting Held at m<sup>r</sup> Hanfory Tavern Jan<sup>y</sup> 12<sup>o</sup> 1775  
Jno Wentworth W<sup>m</sup> Esq<sup>r</sup> Moderator the following Persons were Drawn Jurors for  
Benjamin Deised Jurors for { Stoten Austin? Jurors for  
Enoch Chace Sessions { Will<sup>m</sup> Kille } Inferior Court  
Timothy Varney { Paul Nutt }

Then the Meeting was Dissolved by ye Moderator

Province of New Hampshire Pursuant to a Precept from the High Sheriff of Strafford County for the Choice of two Representatives To the freeholders of Dover Including the Parish of Madbury Qualified by Law to Vote in the Choice of Representatives

Notice is hereby given that a Public Townmeeting is to be held at the first Parish Meetinghouse in Said Town on Monday the 20<sup>th</sup> Instant at 12 O'clock at Noon then & there to Choose two Suitable Persons to represent Said Town in a General Assembly To be Convened & holden at Portsmouth the 23<sup>rd</sup> Instant at ten o'clock before noon Ho Die in Diem During their Session or Sessions

Dover Feb 4<sup>th</sup> 1775 - By order of the select men Thos W Waldron Town clk

At a Legal Meeting held at the Meeting house In Dover on the foregoing Notification

- Voted John Gage Esq<sup>r</sup> Moderator
  - Voted Otis Baker Esq<sup>r</sup> first Representative
  - Voted Capt Caleb Hodgdon second Representative
- Then the Meeting was dissolved

This is to Notify the Legal Voters of the Town of Dover That the annual Meeting for the Choice of Town officers as the Law Directs is to be held on Monday the 27<sup>th</sup> Day of March Instant at one o'clock afternoon at the friends Meeting house in Said Town -

also to Vote & act on the following Articles as fully as the Town shall think Proper

- First What mony shall be raised for repairing Highways & what shall be allowed Pay for Said Service
- Secondly Whether The Town will have more schools the Enjuing year than the Law Directs to be under such Regulation as they shall order
- Thirdly Whereas it appears to the select Men by a Letter from the Chairman of the Provincial Convention held at Exeter the 25<sup>th</sup> Jany Last that our Proportion of the Expence of the delegates to Represent this Province at the Next Continental Congress & the Ballance Due to the former Delegates is £11. 10. 6 To Vote the same to be sent To John Giddings Esq<sup>r</sup> appointed Receiver thereof
- Fourthly To Hear the Request of Otis Baker Esq<sup>r</sup> & others for Appropriating so much of the Mony arising by the Sale of Part of the Sanding as

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As will Buy a Suitable Bell & clock for the use of said Town March 18<sup>th</sup> 1775 By order of the Select Men Tho' W<sup>m</sup> Waldron Town Clk

At the above Annual meeting two men are to be drawn for Jurors at the County session the second Tuesday in April next & two men are to be drawn to serve as Jurors at the Inferior Court the Thursday following both Courts to be held at Durham in said County March 18<sup>th</sup> 1775 Tho' W<sup>m</sup> Waldron Town Clk

At the ANNUAL meeting Legally Warner & Held at the Friends Meetinghouse in Dover March 27<sup>th</sup> 1775

Voted Captain Shadrach Hodgdon Moderator  
Voted Capt Thomas Westbrook Waldron Esq<sup>r</sup> Town Clerk  
Voted The Select Men send the L<sup>11</sup>-10-6 mentioned in the Notification to John Giddenge Esq<sup>r</sup>  
Stephen Ham Drawn for Jurors Benj<sup>a</sup> Church Drawn for Jurors  
& Daniel Even, Sat 4<sup>th</sup> session & James Twombly Sat 4<sup>th</sup> Inf<sup>r</sup> Court  
Then the Meeting Was adjourn'd to Monday April 4<sup>th</sup> 1775  
To the Parish Meeting House in said Town at 2 O'clock P.M.

Meet according to Adjournment April 10<sup>th</sup> 1775

Voted Caleb Hodgdon Samuel Heard & Ino Kielle Select men  
Voted Joshua Wingate Joseph Hanjon John Waldron's Andrew Torr & Amos Peaslee Lot Layers  
Voted That the select men take care of the Poor without any overseers being chosen  
Voted Mess<sup>rs</sup> Iona Dickson Eleaz<sup>r</sup> Hodgdon & Zach<sup>'</sup> Purinton Tithing-men  
Voted Mess<sup>rs</sup> Clem<sup>t</sup> Meserve Ich<sup>'</sup> Hayes, W<sup>m</sup> Waldron's & Mess<sup>rs</sup> Robert Fence Viewers  
Voted That the Select Men hire a Man to Collect the Towns Money the present year  
Voted Mess<sup>rs</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Watson & John Hayes Constables  
Voted Mess<sup>rs</sup> John Hayes. W<sup>m</sup> Hanjon. James Varney. Solo Varney John Hanjon & James Lebby Surveyors high Way  
Voted Mess<sup>rs</sup> John Friend & W<sup>m</sup> Watson Sealers of leather  
Voted W<sup>m</sup> Jacob Sawyer sealer of Weights & Measures  
Voted Tho' W<sup>m</sup> Waldron & Joseph Hanjon Comisioners  
Voted Mess<sup>rs</sup> John B<sup>m</sup> Hanjon John Gage Tho' Shannon Benj<sup>a</sup> Peine & Iona Gage be Surveyors of Lumber  
Voted Mess<sup>rs</sup> John Gage. Jacob Sawyer. & Isaac Young Corders Wood  
Voted Mess<sup>rs</sup> John Gage. Jos<sup>'</sup> Clements. Saml<sup>'</sup> Evans. Moses Rand. Nathan Horn. Joseph Drew & Ezra Kembal Field Drivers

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Messrs Daniel Kendall Daniel Heard Jr Josiah Heard Anthony Hanjon  
& Ledeiah Drew Hog reves  
William Watson Pound Keeper  
Paul Harford Deer Keeper  
That the Select Men Pay to Joseph Whitehouse thirty six Milling  
at his request to pay for Doctoring his Leg  
That Every Poll does one Day Work on the Highway, as Last  
year & the rest of the Estates in same proportion  
That one hundred pounds Including the Gramer School be raised  
for schooling this year & Laid out at the Discretion of the  
Select Men  
That Nothing be Done relative to buying a Bell & Clock in the  
Manner Proposed by the Petition of Mr Baker Esq & others  
Then the Meeting was Dissolved by the Moderator

Part Land  
Chesley  
Common  
Right  
To Rich  
Canny

By the Request of Ichabod Canny we have Laid out twenty  
one Acres of Land Lying between the Main Road Leading from  
Cochecho To Rochester & the Road that Leads to Green Hill so called  
It being Part of Samuel Chesley, Right in the Division of Commons  
That was given & Granted to him by the Town of Dover in  
The year 1734 Twelve acres of this same Land <sup>was formerly Laid out</sup> in Barrington  
as we have been Inform'd through a Mistake therefore we have  
Removed the aforesaid Twelve Acres Including it in the aforesaid  
Twenty one Acres & bounding it as followeth Viz Beginning  
at the North Side of the Road Leading to green Hill by the  
aforesaid Main Road Leading to Rochester Running North two  
Degrees East Eighty four Rods by the Road Leading to Rochester  
then Running West Two Degrees North Twenty Rods then Running  
South Two Degrees West Thirty six rods then Running West two Deg-  
rees North Thirty Seven Rods then Running South two Degrees  
West by Commons to the Road that Leads to green hill then  
running by said Road as it runs to the first bounds Containing  
Twenty one Acres Laid out by us  
Dover June 1: 1764  
bro't to record April 22 1775  
& By Tho: W: Waldron Town Clerk

Joshua Wingate  
Jos Hanjon  
John Tuttle  
Committee

First  
Secondly

The freeholders & Inhabitants of the Town of Dover Qualified to  
Vote in Town Meetings are hereby Notified That a meeting of  
the Inhabitants of said Town, Qualified as Aforesaid will be  
holden at the Meetinghouse in said Town on Monday the 15  
Day of May Current at three of the Clock in the Afternoon  
To Choose a Moderator for said Meeting  
To Choose a deputy or deputy, to meet such others as may be chosen  
in the other Towns in this Province in a Convention to be holden  
at

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At Exeter on the Seventeenth Day of May Current at ten of the Clock in the fore noon Pursuant to advice from the Provincial Committee for that Purpose &

Thirdly

To give such Deputy or Deputies as may be Chosen Such Instructions as the Town shall think Proper

Caleb Hodgdon } Select men  
Saml Heard } of Dover  
John Kielle }

Dover May 6<sup>th</sup> 1775

PURSUANT to the foregoing Notification a Legal Town Meeting was held at the meetinghouse in Dover May 15<sup>th</sup> 1775 &

Voted

Capt Shadrach Hodgdon Moderator

Secondly

That Capt Shadrach Hodgdon & Capt Stephen Evans be Deputies for & represent the Town of Dover at the Provincial Convention to be held at Exeter the 17<sup>th</sup> Instant & that they continue Six Months & if the Convention shall so agree -

Thirdly

That they have full Power to act for the Town in Provincial Convention in the best Manner they can Devise & also be subject to such further Instructions & Directions as the Town at any time hereafter shall think Proper to give them

Then the meeting was dissolved by the Moderator

Strafford's? The 22<sup>d</sup> Instant at 6 O'clock P.M. at the house of Mr  
Dover May 12<sup>th</sup> 1775 } John B<sup>n</sup> Hanson Three men are to be Chosen Grand Jurors  
& four men are to be Drawn Petit Jurors for his Majesty's Superior Court to be held at Dover the 30<sup>th</sup> Instant  
Tho<sup>s</sup> W<sup>al</sup> Waldron J<sup>es</sup> Clerk

At a Public Town meeting for the Choice of Jury men for the Superior Court held May 22 1775

First

Chose Mr M<sup>r</sup> B<sup>n</sup> Hanson moderator

Secondly

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Benj<sup>m</sup> Titcomb Michael Read & James Chesley Grand Jurors 3 Court

Thirdly

Drawn Mess<sup>rs</sup> Elijah Estis J<sup>n</sup> Hanson Josh Wingate & Saml Heard Petit Jurors for S<sup>o</sup> Superior Court then dissolved

Dover June 3<sup>d</sup> 1775 Notice is hereby given to the free holders & Inhabitants of said Town that on Monday the fifth Instant at three o'clock afternoon a Town meeting is to be held at the meetinghouse in said Dover. To Choose a Committee of Safety & give them such Powers as shall appear most salutary - To Consult on any other matter or matters that may be thot Best & to Vote thereon as the convened shall think Proper - 'Tis Desired that there may be a General attendance (of said Meeting) that the united opinion of the Town may be had at this time of General Trouble. By Order of the Select men  
Tho<sup>s</sup> W<sup>al</sup> Waldron J<sup>es</sup> Clerk

At a Town Meeting in Dover June 5<sup>th</sup> 1775

Voted 1<sup>st</sup>

Tho<sup>s</sup> W<sup>al</sup> Waldron Esq<sup>r</sup> Moderator

2<sup>d</sup>

That a Committee of Safety be Chosen

3<sup>d</sup>

That Otis Baker Esq<sup>r</sup> Mess<sup>rs</sup> Caleb Hodgdon Stephen Evans Joshua Wingate & J<sup>n</sup> Wentworth Jun<sup>r</sup> the Late Committee of Correspondence be five of said Committee of Safety

4<sup>th</sup>

That an addition be made to said Committee

fifthly

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Fifty

Voted that Tho<sup>d</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Waldron Esq<sup>r</sup> Mess<sup>rs</sup> Nathaniel Cooper John Kielle & Samuel Heard be added to the above Comitte of safety  
6<sup>ly</sup> Voted That the Recommendation of the Provincial Congress to the Inhabitants of this Colony Dated the second Instant be a General rule for the Conduct of said Comitte & that the Inhabitants of this Town do Strictly conform to the same  
7<sup>ly</sup> Voted that this meeting be Dissolved

Dover June 4<sup>th</sup> 1775 Whereas it hath been legally Voted that a certain sum of money should be raised in this our Town for the support of Schools we the subscribers humbly Petition to you the Select men for to call a meeting & to see if the Inhabitants of said Town will reconsider the Vote & let the schools drop this present year for the reason of extraordinary Charges other ways

- Timothy Robinson
- Nathan Horn
- Moses Gage
- Alex<sup>r</sup> Caldwell
- Aaron Roberts
- Joseph Roberts
- William Young
- Ezekiel Perkins
- Moses Roberts
- Benjamin Varney
- John Austin
- Stoten Austin
- Samuel Tuttle
- William Tuttle
- Enoch Varney

- Maul Hanson
- Jona Bickford
- William Hanson
- Joseph Hanson Jun<sup>r</sup>
- Phillip Cromwell
- Benj<sup>a</sup> Roberts
- Heard Roberts
- Joseph Bickford
- Tho<sup>d</sup> Cenney
- Eph<sup>m</sup> Bickford
- William Robinson
- Jehabod Varney
- Elijah Varney
- Ambrose Bampton
- Nathaniel Bampton
- John Perkins

Whereas Thirty one of the Inhabitants of Dover have petitioned the Select men to call a Town meeting for a reconsidering a Vote Passed this year relative to Schools &c<sup>a</sup>  
Therefore

NOTICE is hereby Given to the Qualified Voters of Dover that a meeting is to be held the thirty first Instant at 3 o'clock P.M. at the Meetinghouse in said Town for the Town to Consider of & act on said Petition as shall be thot best  
Dover July 4<sup>th</sup> 22<sup>o</sup> 1775 By order of the Select men &c<sup>d</sup>  
Tho<sup>d</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Waldron

At a Public Town meeting in Dover July 31<sup>th</sup> 1775  
m<sup>r</sup> Joseph Bickford Moderator

Voted  
2<sup>ly</sup>

That the Vote for School money should be reconsidered by 29 hands & 28 hands against it  
Then a poll was demanded & granted & thirty four  
was

Was for reconsidering said Vote & Capt Ino Gage said he was therefor but passed not through to be told by the select men as usual & thirty three was told against it & two more afterward appeared against it the select men said

Then a second Poll was granted & the Moderator & Clerk told them thirty seven for reconsidering said Vote & thirty seven against it the moderator added to one side & the clerk to the other made the Poll 38 Each

Then a request for a third Poll was made but Not granted Then a Vote was taken whether the Meeting should be adjourned a few hands for it & about double the Number against it

Then after some talk on the Legality of a Moderator adjourning a Town meeting with out a Vote therefor he declared the meeting to be adjourned to monday the Seventh of August next at 4 o'clock P.M.

Met according to adjournment Aug 7<sup>th</sup> 1775 Nemine Contradicente that there be no schools this Present year ten being the number of hands therefor & Then the Meeting was Dissolved by the Moderator

Voted

Colony of New Hampshire. The Congress of said Colony to the Select men of Dover in said Colony, Greeting. You are hereby Required to Notify the Legal Inhabitants paying taxes in the said Town of Dover (giving them fifteen Days notice) to meet at some convenient Place in your town, to elect two Persons (having a real estate, of the value of two Hundred pounds Lawful money in this Colony) to represent them in general Congress to be held at Exeter, the twenty first Day of December next, at three of the clock in the afternoon - And to empower such Representative for the term of one Year from their first meeting, to transact such business, & pursue such measures as they may Judge necessary for the public good. -

And In case there should be a Recommendation from the Continental Congress that this Colony assume Government in any particular form, which will require a house of Representatives, that they resolve themselves into such a house as the said Continental Congress shall recommend.

And it is resolved that no person be allowed a seat in Congress, who shall by himself, or any person for him, before said Choice, treat with Liquor, &c. any Electors, with an apparent view of gaining their votes, or afterward, on that account. And the persons who shall be elected, you are to notify, that they attend at time & place above mentioned. And make return hereof with your Doings thereon

Exeter Nov<sup>r</sup> the 14<sup>th</sup> 1775  
E Thompson Secretary

By order of Congress  
Matthew Thornton President

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Dover Nov<sup>r</sup> 24 1775 The Inhabitants of said Town paying Taxes are hereby Notified that on Monday the Eleventh of December Next at twelve a Clock at noon a Meeting is to be held at the meetinghouse in said Town for the Purposes above mentioned  
 John Kielle J Select Men  
 Samuel Heard J of Dover

Pursuant to the foregoing Notification a meeting was held &  
 Voted 1<sup>st</sup> John Gage Esq<sup>r</sup> Moderator

Voted 2<sup>d</sup> Stephen Evans Esq<sup>r</sup> to represent said Town in Congress

Voted 3<sup>d</sup> Otis Baker Esq<sup>r</sup> also to represent said Town in Congress

Voted 4<sup>th</sup> That they have power to Act as is recommended by the Late Congress  
 Then the Meeting was Dissolved by the Moderator

At a Public Town Meeting held y<sup>e</sup> twelfth of January 1776 by order of the Select-men on hearing the Provincial Congress at Exeter Had or were about to Resolve themselves into a General Assembly The following Petition to said Congress was Voted Viz

To the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Provincial Congress now sitting at Exeter

The Petition of the free holders & Inhabitants of the Town of Dover assembled this Twelfth Day of January Anno Domini 1776 humbly shews

That in times not so distressing as the Present & in matters of Less Importance than are now agitated; Wisdom Prudence & Moderation are Qualifications essentially requisite among the Rulers: to whom, the Sentiments of but a Small Part of the Community whereof they are members can at no time be disagreeing if conveyed in a mode not liable to Censure.

With the Suffrages of your Petitioners the Delegates from this Town had (tho not in writing) full Instructions respecting their conduct in the alteration of Government to which we doubt not they have duly attended

The Assuming Government in any Form at this Crisis would in our opinion be a measure fraught with evils too considerable to be passed over with silent approbation

The Friendship of many respectable Inhabitants of Great Britain who we fondly hope are assiduous in their Endeavours to free us from Troubles already but too sensibly felt, & to ward off others (of what Magnitude God alone knows) impending is richly worth the Cultivation of every one sincerely attached to the Rights & Interests of his Country and the least appearance of Disunion among our selves an Evil to be Depreciated; as a Circumstance highly Displeasing to all but the Planners of such a Design

Your Petitioners (many of whom till lately were unapprized of the Intention to assume Government) cannot but be apprehensive

Apprehensive of the many Injuries which may probably result from an immediate alteration: & which, through a little precipitancy may prove irreparable. The power vested in you we humbly conceive fully enables you to make such Necessary Regulations as may best tend to prevent Anarchy which for the Present ought principally to be had in view as a Step farther (tho' undesigned) may appear enough like Independency to frustrate many friendly Attempts in our favour

Your Petitioners therefore Humbly Pray that as a Congress you would yet transact the Necessary affairs of the Colony, & defer the intended alteration to some future Day when the Making it may less tend to Disorder & Confusion & a turn of times with greater Propriety admit of it & your Petitioners shall ever Pray &c. &c.

By order of the meeting Tho' W<sup>th</sup> Waldron Town Clerk

This is to Notify the Legal Voters of the Town of Dover That the Annual meeting for the Choice of Town Officers as the Law Directs is to be held on Monday the twenty fifth day of March Instant at One O'clock after Noon at the Parish meetinghouse in said Town by order of the Select men Dover March 16<sup>th</sup> 1776 Tho' W<sup>th</sup> Waldron Clerk

At a legal Annual Town meeting held Pursuant to the above Notification the 25<sup>th</sup> March 1776

- Voted 1<sup>st</sup> John Gage Esq<sup>r</sup> Moderator
- 2<sup>d</sup> Tho' W<sup>th</sup> Waldron Town Clerk

3<sup>d</sup> The meeting adjourn'd by a Vote to Monday May 27<sup>th</sup> 1776 to 2 o'clock P.M. for the Collector gathering money & of Select men, letting act in meantime

May 27<sup>th</sup> 1776 met according to adjournment & at the Instance of the Collector & Select men the meeting was by Vote further adjourn'd to the 24<sup>th</sup> June Next at 2 O'clock P.M.

June 24<sup>th</sup> 1776 met according to adjournment

- Voted Benj<sup>a</sup> Peire John Waldron's & In<sup>o</sup> Gage Select men & overseers Poor
- Voted Tho' W<sup>th</sup> Waldron & Joseph Hanson Auditors of Select men Acct<sup>s</sup>
- Voted Joshua Wingate Joseph Hanson In<sup>o</sup> Waldron's Andrew Torr- and Amos Peaslee Lot layers
- Voted Nathaniel Horn Timothy White & Elijah Tuttle Tything men
- Voted Voted that the Select men accounts be accepted
- Voted Clement Mejerre Ich<sup>o</sup> Hayes In<sup>o</sup> Waldron's & Moses Robert Fence Viewers
- Voted William Watson & John Heard Constables
- Voted Paul Welland In<sup>o</sup> B<sup>m</sup> Hanson Elijah Estis James Varney In<sup>o</sup> Kembal
- Voted John Hanson Tim<sup>o</sup> Varney & Amos Peaslee Surveyors Highways
- Voted Elijah Tuttle & Saml Ambrose Sealers of Leather
- Voted Jacob Sawyer Sealer of Weight & Measures
- Voted In<sup>o</sup> B<sup>m</sup> Hanson In<sup>o</sup> Gage Tho' Shannon Benj<sup>a</sup> Peire & Hona Gage Surveyors of Lumber
- Voted Moses Varney Isaac Young Joseph Gerrish & Tho' Varney Corders & Surveyors of Wood

voted W<sup>m</sup>

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Voted

William Gage Joseph Clements Sam Evans Moses Rand Nathan Horn  
Jedediah Drew & Joseph Waldron field Drivers

Voted

Thos Goudy Isaac Roberts Zac Purinton Amos Varney & Amos Peaslee  
Hog Reeves

Voted Wm Watson Pound Keeper

Voted

Wm Horn Deer Keeper

Voted

That each Poll shall work one Day on the High Way  
& other Estates in proportion thereto

Then the Meeting was Dissolved by the Moderator

To all Free holders & other qualified to vote at Annual Town<sup>th</sup>  
meetings in Dover Notice is hereby given that on Monday the 15<sup>th</sup>  
Instant at ten o'clock in the morning a Town meeting is to be  
held at the meeting house in said Town for the Purpose of Voting an  
advance bounty to the Soldiers that enlist for the Town in the Prese-  
nt Expedition to Canada with full power to act thereon as the Convened  
shall think proper By order of the Select men Thos W Waldron T. Clk  
Dover July 13<sup>th</sup> 1776

Voted

At a Town Meeting held in Dover on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> July 1776  
Pursuant to the foregoing Notification

Voted

John Wentworth J<sup>r</sup> Esq<sup>r</sup> Moderator  
That forty two Shillings be given by the Town to each of the Soldiers  
Enlisted & that shall enlist since the Eleventh Instant & proceed in the  
present Expedition to Canada Not exceeding fifteen or sixteen men & that  
the Select men here <sup>the money</sup> pay the same in the best manner they can Ine-  
dially on the Town's acct then the Meeting was Dissolved

Gentlemen In Committee of Safety Portsmouth 25<sup>th</sup> July 1776  
The Consideration of the fatal Consequences which may  
attend the Spreading of the Small Pox in the Natural Way of  
which we fear there is at Present much danger has induced this  
Town to appoint a Committee to meet a Committee from your Town as  
also from the Towns of Rye Greenland Stratham & Newington to consult  
on the most adviseable ways & means of erecting & supporting a Hospital  
for Inoculation — It is proposed that the whole expence be born  
by the Persons Inoculated & that the most strict rules & regulations be drawn  
up by a Committee to consist of a suitable Number of Gentlemen from each  
Town which shall come into the measure — Capt Wm Pearne Capt Geo  
Turner Capt Geo Wentworth Mr John Penhallow & Mr Geo King are a Com-  
mittee from this Town to confer with the other Committees on this matter  
which if you approve of you'll send a Committee to meet them at  
Folsom's Tavern in Greenland at 9 o'clock A.M. on Tuesday next our Town  
meeting being adjourned to next Wednesday in the mean time you'll  
have opportunity to know the mind of your Town previous to the Meeting  
of the Committee — I am by order of the Committee Gentlemen your  
Most Humble Servant J. Wentworth Chairman

In Consequence of a Letter from the Committee of Safety  
of Portsmouth of which the above is a copy Notice is hereby given to  
The

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The Freeholders & others qualified to Vote at Annual Town Meetings in Dover that on Monday the 29<sup>th</sup> Instant at five o'clock afternoon a Town meeting is to be held at the Meetinghouse in said Town To consider of & Act on the Important contents of said Letter as shall then be thot best 'tis Desired that a General attendance may be given precisely at time & place by order of the Select men Dover July 27<sup>th</sup> 1776. Tho<sup>s</sup> W Waldron Town Clerk

Voted

At a Town Meeting held July 29<sup>th</sup> 1776 Pursuant to the above Notification  
Capt Shadrach Hodgdon Moderator

Voted

after conversing freely on the utility of sending a Committee to Greenland the Question being put it past in the Negative by a great Majority  
Then the meeting was dissolved

To the free holders & others Qualified, by Law to Vote at Annual Town meetings in the Town of Dover NOTICE is hereby Given That on Monday the thirtieth of Sep<sup>r</sup> Instant at three O'clock afternoon a Town meeting is to be held at the Meetinghouse in said Dover To Impower the Select-men to hire a Collector to gather the Taxes of this present year & also to Vote the Grammer School money to the use of English Schools this present year in such manner as the Convened shall think Proper  
Dover Sep<sup>r</sup> 21<sup>th</sup> 1776 - By order of the Select-men  
Tho<sup>s</sup> W Waldron Town Clerk

Voted

At a Town Meeting held Sep<sup>r</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> 1776 Pursuant to the above Notification  
Capt Shadrach Hodgdon Moderator

Voted

That the Selectmen hire a Collector to collect all Taxes this present year

Voted

That the Selectmen lay out fifty Pounds Lawful money in english Schools in five Districts of the Town in stead of hiring a grammer School this present year then the Meeting Dissolved

State of New Hamp<sup>sd</sup> Pursuant to a Precept of the Council & Assembly County of Strafford's of said State Notice is hereby Given to the Legal Inhabitants paying taxes in the Town of Dover that on Monday the Ninth of December Next at one O'clock afternoon a Town meeting is to be held at the Parish Meetinghouse in said Town to Choose two Persons to Represent said Dover for one year in an Assembly to be convened at Exeter the third Wednesday of said December AND also to Vote on one Paper for two Persons Inhabitants of said County to serve as Members of the Council for the year ensuing - By order of the Select Men Tho<sup>s</sup> W Waldron Town Clerk  
Dover November 20<sup>th</sup> 1776

Voted

At a Town Meeting held Dec<sup>r</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> 1776 Pursuant to the foregoing Notification  
John Gage Esq<sup>r</sup> Moderator

Voted

Colo Ollis Baker Esq<sup>r</sup> first representative

Voted

Colo Stephen Evans Esq<sup>r</sup> Second Representative

Then Colo Baker resigned his right to be a Representative by Virtue of the above Choice & The Town Voted him their thanks for his former services  
New Com

Voted

John Wentworth Esq<sup>r</sup> representative in consequence of O Baker's resignation

Then the Votes for Councilors was brot in & read up in the Meeting by the Town Clerk  
And the Moderator Dissolved the Meeting

This is to notify the Legal Voters of the Town of Dover that the Annual meeting for the Choice of Town officers as the Law Directs is to be held on Monday the 31<sup>st</sup> of March Instant at one O'clock afternoon at the Parish Meetinghouse in said Town

Also to Vote on one piece of Paper for a recorder of Deed for the County of Strafford & on another piece of Paper for a treasurer for said County

also to draw three Jurors to Serve on the petit jury at the Sessions to be held the second Tuesday in April at Durham & at the Inferior Court the Thursday following

also to hear a request for choosing a Committee to address the General Court for a Lottery for the purposes therein mentioned

also to hear a request for enabling the Select men to Lay out a road from Jedediah Varneys Land to Rochester by & through Sundry Farms as set forth in said request

And also to hear the request of Col<sup>o</sup> Joshua Wingate that Sundry men who Trained some days in April 1775 under him may be paid

By order of y<sup>e</sup> Select men

Tho<sup>s</sup> W<sup>al</sup> Waldron Town Clerk

Dover March y<sup>e</sup> 22 1777

At the Annual Town Meeting held at the Parish Meetinghouse March y<sup>e</sup> 31<sup>st</sup> 1777 according to the Notification

Voled John Wentworth 9<sup>th</sup> Esq<sup>r</sup> Moderator

2<sup>ly</sup> Tho<sup>s</sup> W<sup>al</sup> Waldron Town Clerk

3<sup>ly</sup> That the Choice of Town officers be passed over & that We proceed to the other business of the notification as the Select men had not Prepared their accounts &c

5<sup>ly</sup> Voled for a county recorder y<sup>e</sup> moderator 1317 } More Votes  
leal<sup>d</sup> up

6<sup>th</sup> Voled For a county Treasurer D<sup>o</sup> Tard 148

7<sup>th</sup> Drew Zaechey Hanson Benj<sup>a</sup> Leiby Jun<sup>r</sup> & Benj<sup>a</sup> Walton for Jurors who were warn'd in the meeting

8<sup>th</sup> Voled On the request for a Lottery That a Committee of two persons be Chosen to present a Petition to the Gen<sup>l</sup> Court & that the Representatives of the Town be the persons to <sup>prepare</sup> present the same

9<sup>th</sup> Voled That the Petition for a road be put off to the adjournment of the Meeting

10<sup>th</sup> Voled That Colo Wingates request be put off to the adjournment of Meeting Then the Meeting was adjourn'd to y<sup>e</sup> first Monday of June next at 2 O'clock P.M

State of New Hampshire

In<sup>t</sup> Committee of safety May 1<sup>st</sup> 1777

Whereas it has been Represented that many Towns in this State notwithstanding their unwearied endeavours & offers of Large bounties have not yet been able to procure their full quotas of men for the Continental Service Therefore at this critical Season & to the end. that the men To Complete the Battalions may Immediately march the Committee are of Opinion that Such Delinquent Towns may fill up their Number at Present with men enlisted for eight Months or one Year as they think fit PROVIDED they will be Careful To provide

Provide others to take their Places when the times of those they now send is out NO Continental or State bounty Can be advanced to any but such as enlist for the War or three years as the Votes of Congress & the General Court of this State forbid it the Travel money will be Paid when they Pass muster This resolve was Passed at the Request of Sundry Towns

By order of the Committee Josiah Bartlett Chairman

Copy Examined Tho<sup>W</sup> Waldron Town Clerk

PURSUANT to the above Resolve & at the Request of Col<sup>o</sup> Stephen Evans Esq<sup>r</sup> This is to Notify all the Legal voters of the Town of Dover to attend a Town meeting to be held on Monday the 5<sup>th</sup> Instant at two o'clock afternoon To Consult on & adopt some Suitable Measures for Expediting the Completion of this Towns quota of men By order of the Select Men

Dover May 3<sup>d</sup> 1777

Tho<sup>W</sup> Waldron Town Clerk

At a Legal Meeting held on the foregoing Notification May 5 1777

Voted

Col<sup>o</sup> Joshua Wingate Moderator

Voted

That Colo Otis Baker Capt Tho<sup>o</sup> Young & Capt John Hayes be Impowered to enlist what men is wanting to make this Towns Quota of men for Completing the Battalions to be raised in this State on the best terms they can

Adiourned to six o'clock this afternoon

met according to adjournment &

Voted

That the Select Men Furnish the Committee with money to hire said men & raise the same in the next Tax bill & then the Meeting Dissolved by the Moderator

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To The Select men of the Town of Dover We the Subscribers Desire That you will Call a meeting of the Inhabitants of said Dover Immediately as the Times Looks Very Dark & Distressing amongst us For it is generally supposed that we shall have the enemy upon us Immediately or some part of our borders & we have nothing in Comparison to Defend our selves with we are in Immediate necessity for Armes Especially therefore we Desire the Town to be Called Together to Choose a Committee of Safety or Empower a Committee that was formerly Chose to supply the Town with all Necessary Articles that is fitting for a Soldier to have to Defend his Country in so good a cause as we are Engaged in Also To see if the Town will Vote to pay the Alarm List & the Train band some Wages every Day they are Called as they are obliged very often to attend when others are at home at work & with complying with the above we are in Duty bound shall ever Pray Dover May 7 10<sup>th</sup> 1777

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|----------------------------|--|----------------|
| Samuel Heard               | Ezra Kimball                               | Thomas Young   |
| Daniel Heard               | Sam <sup>l</sup> Evans                     | John Hayes     |
| John Gage Jun <sup>r</sup> | Ezra Young                                 | James Guppy    |
| William Brown              | Paul Meserve                               | Paul Welland   |
| Samuel Waldron             | Benj <sup>a</sup> Roberts Jun <sup>r</sup> | Joseph Drew    |
| Tho <sup>o</sup> Hayes     | Ebenezer Horn Jun <sup>r</sup>             | Joshua Perkins |
| Benja Hanjon               | Jedediah Drew                              |                |

By The Request of Sundry Freeholders & others of the Town of Dover Notice is Hereby Given to the Legal Voters of said Town That they attend a Town Meeting to be held on Thursday the 15<sup>th</sup> of May Instant at the Meetinghouse in said Dover at Three o'clock P.M To Consider on & Direct to such Measures as may be

Be most likely to put the Militia & alarm Lists into a suitable State for defending the Country from Invasion &c By Voting them Wages when Training & Learning the Manual Exercise of the Firelock — By appointing Persons to procure Arms & such other articles for the purposes proposed as may be wanting & by Voting money therefor Or as the Militia Law of the State directs in like affairs also to choose a Committee to regulate the Prices of such articles as are omitted in the regulation Acts  
John Gage & select men  
Benj<sup>a</sup> Peirce } of Dover

Dover May 12<sup>th</sup> 1777

State of New Hampshire } To William Watson a Constable of Dover Greeting  
You are hereby required to warn all the legal Voters in Dover to attend the above mentioned Town meeting at time & Place for which this is your sufficient Warrant & which you are to return to us at or before one o'clock on the aforementioned 15<sup>th</sup> Day of May Instant with your doings thereon Given under our hands & seals this 12<sup>th</sup> Day of May 1777  
John Gage Seal } Select men  
Benj<sup>a</sup> Peirce Seal } of Dover

Dover May 15<sup>th</sup> 1777 Pursuant to the within Warrant to me Directed I have warned the Inhabitants & Legal Voters in the Town of Dover to attend the within mentioned Meeting at time & Place  
I me William Watson Constable

At a meeting held May 15 1777 Agreeable to the foregoing Notification  
John Wentworth Esq<sup>r</sup> Moderator

Voted

Voted

Voted

Voted

Voted

That the Alarm & Train Band Lists have three Shillings & Day & one Shilling & Six Pence & half Day allowed them by the Town for each Day they train in a year more than the Law requires

That a New Committee of Safety be Chosen & that it consist of Nine Persons

Colo Joshua Wingate In<sup>o</sup> Wentworth Esq<sup>r</sup> Major Nath<sup>l</sup> Cooper Ensign  
In<sup>o</sup> B<sup>m</sup> Hanson Ensign Sam<sup>l</sup> Heard Mr John Kielle Capt John Gage Mr Aaron Wingate & Capt In<sup>o</sup> Hayes be said Committee

That a Committee for regulating the Prices of things as Directed by Laws of the State be Chosen & That  
Mr Benj<sup>a</sup> Peirce Colo In<sup>o</sup> Waldron Capt John Gage Lt Jona Hayes Mess<sup>rs</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Kielle Amos Peaflee Jona Bickford Sam<sup>l</sup> Emerson Tho<sup>s</sup> Varney & James Varney Be said Committee  
then the meeting was Dissolved by J Moderator

State of New Hampshire }  
Strafford Co } To The Select men of Dover in  
The County aforesaid —

The Petition of the Subscribers Inhabitants of said Dover & duly Qualified as Voters therein Most Humbly Sheweth  
That at a Meeting of the Inhabitants of said Town on Thursday the 15<sup>th</sup> Day of May Current among other things

Things then transacted a Committee of Safety for Said Town & a Committee for Regulating the Prices of Sundry Articles omitted in Regulation Acts were Chosen but not as your Petitioners conceive in the way that two such important Bodies require

That in small matters the appointment to an Office by a Hand Vote may do tolerably but in those of so great as the Choice of a Committee of Safety & a Committee for Regulating Prices We think it far - very far from a Prudent method - especially so when we recollect that a Person inclined to fill a Post may immediately jump into it only begging a kind Neighbour to tell his name to the Moderator - as We Deprecate the Evils resulting from such Practices we would hope that few if any of that Class are among us

That as the affairs that will probably come before both of said Committees during the term of their existence may exceed in their Consequences many others not heretofore cognizable without an Oath of Office - your Petitioners apprehend that a departure from so good a precedent at this Season (less to one more critical than any within our Memory) would indicate a Remissness in the Mother Town of the County for which by its other Inhabitants we may be deemed culpable

Therefore to prevent future Inconveniences your Petitioners pray that a Clause may be added to or inserted in the Notification for the adjourn'd annual Meeting to see first if the Town will reconsider the Votes constituting the aforesaid Committees & choose them a new by written Vote & to see secondly if the Town will vote that said Committees when so chosen shall be under Oath for the faithful & impartial discharge of their respective Duties - Or that you will duly notify a Meeting of the Inhabitants of said Town or cause one to be legally warned to be held for the Purpose aforesaid at some Hour of the same Day to which the said Annual Meeting stands adjourned as you shall think the most likely to effect such salutary Measures & your Petitioners as in Duty bound will ever pray &c &c

Theop <sup>d</sup> Dame	John Wentworth Jun <sup>r</sup>	Otis Baker
Sam <sup>d</sup> Kielle	Jon <sup>a</sup> Hayes	John Kielle
Eph <sup>m</sup> Ham	John Conner	Ezra Green
Nath <sup>d</sup> Cooper	John Tibbits	Nath <sup>d</sup> Ham
Thos Shannon	George Walson	John B <sup>m</sup> Hanson

Moses Wingale by Desire his Name let Down Nick<sup>r</sup> Richer by Desire his name let Down

NOTICE is hereby given to the Legal Voters of Dover that the foregoing Petition is to be acted on at the adjournment of the Annual Meeting of said Town on Monday the Second of June next as if the same had been part of the original Notification

Dover May 24<sup>th</sup> 1777 - By order of the Select men Thos W Waldron Town Clerk  
Annual Meeting for the Year 1777 by Adjournment  
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June 2<sup>d</sup> 1777

Met according to Adjournment & by Vote the Meeting  
Vote Further Adjourn'd to Monday the Ninth Instant at ten o'clock  
AM & then to Proceed to Business & that the Clerk Notify the  
Same Accordingly



The Adjournment of the Annual Meeting from June 2<sup>d</sup> 1777 to June 9<sup>th</sup> 1777 met & the Select men's Accounts being read Not finished &c  
The Moderator Call'd for Votes for first Select man

Voted Ebraim Ham } Select  
Voted Colo<sup>d</sup> Waldron } Men  
Voted Andrew Torr }

Voted John Conner } Sealers of Leather  
Wm Watson }

Voted Tho<sup>d</sup> Waldron } auditors  
Joseph Hanson }

Voted Jacob Sawyer sealer Weights & Measures

Voted Joshua Wingate }  
Joseph Hanson } Lot  
In<sup>d</sup> Waldron 3<sup>d</sup> } Layers  
Andrew Torr }  
Amos Peasley }

Voted In<sup>d</sup> Bm Hanson } Surveyors  
John Gage }  
Tho<sup>d</sup> Shannon } of Lumber  
Benj<sup>a</sup> Peerce }  
& Jon<sup>a</sup> Gage }

Voted Enj<sup>d</sup> Saml Heard } Tything  
Ezekeel Hayes } men  
Moses Hanson }

Voted Tho<sup>d</sup> Varney } Corders  
& Nath<sup>d</sup> Ham } of Wood

Voted Lt Clement Meserve } Fences  
Ich<sup>d</sup> Hayes } Viewers  
In<sup>d</sup> Waldron 3<sup>d</sup> }  
Moses Roberts }

Voted Will<sup>m</sup> Gage }  
Joseph Clements } Field  
Sam<sup>d</sup> Evans } Drivers  
Moses Rand }  
Nathan Horn }  
Jedediah Drew }  
& Joseph Waldron }

Voted William Walson } Constables  
John Heard }

Voted Thomas Goudy } Hog  
Isaac Roberts }  
Zach<sup>us</sup> Punnton }  
Amos Varney }  
& Amos Peasley }

Voted James Varney }  
Paul Welland } Surveyors  
In<sup>d</sup> Kembal } of Highway  
Lt James Lebbe }  
Benj<sup>a</sup> Church }  
Tim<sup>d</sup> Varney }  
Colo Joshua Wingate }  
& In<sup>d</sup> Bm Hanson }

Voted William Walson Pound Keeper

Voted William Horn Deer Keeper

The Petition for a Road as mentioned in the Notification being read

Voted That the Select men Lay out the Road Proposed Provided the Petitioners find Land to Lay it out on

Voted That the Roll presented by Colo Wingate of Men that Trained under him 1775 be paid & that the Select men pay it to the Several Persons therein mentioned or their representatives as soon as may be

Voted That the Votes constituting a Committee of Safety & a Committee Regulating Prices be reconsidered

Then the Meeting was adjourned to Tuesday June the tenth 1777 one o'clock P.M. by Vote

Tuesday June 10<sup>th</sup> 1777 One O'clock P.M.  
Met according to Adjournment

- Daniel Rendal. a Hog Reve  
 Voted That a single Poll, work one Day this year on the Highway, & other  
 Voted Estate In Proportion & that three Shilling, per Day be allowed Men & Oxen  
 & one Shilling & Six Pence per Day for Carts & Plows  
 Voted That the Select Men, hire some Suitable Person or Person, to Collect  
 all the Taxes for the year 1777  
 Voted That a Committee of Safety be Chosen & that they Consist of five  
 Persons Chosen by ballot  
 Voted That John Wentworth J<sup>r</sup> Joshua Wingate Stephen Evans W<sup>m</sup> Watson  
 & Nathaniel Cooper be said Committee  
 Voted That a Committee for Regulating Prices, be Chosen by Ballot &  
 Voted That Amos Peaplee, Ephraim Kembal, Job Clement & John Gage be said  
 Committee  
 Voted That both said Committees be under oath for the faithful  
 Discharge of their trust & then the Meeting was Dissolved by the Moderator

Gentlemen As there is a Present Call for men to Enlist to join the  
 Army & as the Men in General think by reason of the dearness of  
 articles the Wages is not high enough so as they can support their  
 Family's without addition Therefore we the subscribers Petitioners  
 desire that you would Cause a Town meeting to be call'd tomorrow at  
 ten o'clock before noon to see if the Town will Vote to raise a sum  
 of Money for the Encouragement of Listing men & how much or any  
 other way they then Conven'd shall think proper toward Raising  
 said men We as in Duty Bound, shall ever Pray  
 Dover Sep<sup>r</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> 1777

To the Select men of the Town of Dover

Eph <sup>m</sup> Ham	John Wentworth J <sup>r</sup>	John Gage
Thomas Hayes	Nath <sup>l</sup> Cooper	Benj <sup>a</sup> Peirce
Winthrop Watson	Mich <sup>l</sup> Head	Theop <sup>l</sup> Dame
Otis Baker	G <sup>l</sup> Waldron	Joshua Wingate
Tho <sup>l</sup> Cushing	Job Clements	Benj <sup>a</sup> Watson
Eph <sup>m</sup> Plumer	William Watson	

Dover Sep<sup>r</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> 1777 To Constable W<sup>m</sup> Watson You are Requir-  
 ed to Warn all the Legal Voters in said Town, to meet at  
 the Meetinghouse tomorrow ten of the Clock in the forenoon to  
 act on any matter that is thought necessary for our safety

John Waldron, J<sup>r</sup> Select  
 Andrew Torr } Men  
 Eph<sup>m</sup> Ham, }

Dover September 9<sup>th</sup> 1777

By Virtue of the Within Precept I have Warned  
 The freeholders of said Town To Attend at Time & Place  
 for the Purpose within mentioned

William Watson Constable for Dover

At a Town Meeting Held at the Meetinghouse In  
 Dover (Warned by the Constable) Sep<sup>r</sup> 10 1777 Voted

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Voted Capt John Gage Moderator

Voted That thirty dollars be given to each Soldier who enlists for the Continental Service until the Last of November next & that the Selectmen pay each Soldier the said sum when mustered

Voted That the Selectmen Hire what Money is not in Stock to pay the same & that they raise the whole this present year as they do other Taxes & then the meeting was dissolved by the Moderator

PURSUANT to a Precept from the President of the Council & Speaker of the assembly to the Selectmen of Dover The Legal Inhabitants of said Town paying Taxes are hereby Notified to attend a Town meeting to be held at the meetinghouse on Monday the first day of December next at One o'clock afternoon - To Choose two persons to represent said Town in General Assembly with the Qualifications & for the purposes in said Precept mentioned - also to Vote for two Legally Qualified Persons on one paper to be Members of the Council. By order of the Selectmen Tho' W Waldron Town Clerk

Dover Nov<sup>r</sup> 13 1777

At a Legal Meeting held pursuant to the foregoing Notification

Voted John Gage Esq<sup>r</sup> Moderator

Voted John Wentworth J<sup>r</sup> Esq<sup>r</sup> a Representative

Voted Maj<sup>r</sup> Caleb Hodgdon a Representative

Then Votes for two Councilors Bro't in & taken Care of by J<sup>r</sup> Clerk

Then the Meeting dissolved by J<sup>r</sup> Moderator

This is to Notify the Legal Voters in Dover that a Meeting of such is to be held at the meetinghouse in said Town on Monday the 23<sup>d</sup> Day of Feb<sup>r</sup> Current at 3 O'clock PM for the following Purposes Viz

First To give their Representatives their Opinions respecting the articles of Confederation (Proposed by the hon<sup>ble</sup> Congress) with Instructions how to act thereon

Secondly to Instruct their Representatives (if the Voters see fit) to appoint & call a full & free Representation of all the People in this State to meet in Convention at such time & place as shall be appointed by the general Assembly For the sole Purpose of Framing & Laying a Permanent Plan or System for the future Government of this State

as the above articles are matters of consequence a general attendance is Desired by order of the Selectmen Tho' W Waldron J<sup>r</sup> Clerk

Dover Feb<sup>r</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> 1778 at a Town Meeting pursuant to the foregoing Notification

Voted Olin Baker Esq<sup>r</sup> Moderator after conversing freely on the subject matter of the Meeting

Voted That Colo Wingate Colo Evans & W Cooper Prepare a Vote on the important Subjects of the Meeting which was Presented & accepted as on file

Voted That an attested Copy of the foregoing Sentiments of the Town on the Two Subjects of a General Confederation & framing a Permanent System of Government for this State be Delivered our Representatives as our Present thoughts on those important matters

Then the Meeting dissolved by J<sup>r</sup> Moderator

Pursuant To a Resolve of the General Assembly & a Precept from the Honble President of the Council to the Select men of Dover

This is to Notify the Legal Voters of Said Town that at the Annual Meeting to be held the 30<sup>th</sup> of March Instant a Person or Persons is to be Chosen to attend a Convention to be held at Concord the tenth of June next for the Sole Purpose of Laying a Permanent Plan or System of Government for the Future happiness & well being of this State By Order of the Select Men Tho<sup>s</sup> Waldron Town Clerk

March 14<sup>th</sup> 1778

Pursuant to the Foregoing Notification at the Annual Meeting by adjournment April 13<sup>th</sup> 1778

Made Choice of Tho<sup>s</sup> Waldron who Excused himself in the Meeting Then Made Choice of Colo Otis Baker

At the Adjournment of the Annual Meeting June 1<sup>st</sup> 1778

Voted Capt John Gage a Representative for Said Town at y<sup>e</sup> Convention When Colo Baker Excused himself in the Meeting

Voted & then the Town Maj<sup>r</sup> Caleb Hodgdon a Representative for Said Town at y<sup>e</sup> Convention

This is to Notify the Legal Voters of the Town of Dover That the Annual Meeting For the Choice of Town & County Officers as the Law Directs is to be held on Monday the 30<sup>th</sup> of March Instant at One O'clock P.M. at the meeting house in Said Town

Also To Empower the Select men to hire the Collecting what Money is to be raised the Present Year

Also To Vote what money shall be Laid out in Schools this year more than the Law Directs

Also to hear a Request For Laying out a Road at Back River by & through Sundry Farms as set forth in said request

Also If it does appear that any of our quota of the Continental Soldiery are wanting to pass such Vote or Votes as will be most likely to Furnish them & also such Provision as has been recommended by the General Court for the Families of those Soldiers who are already in said Service

Dover By order of the Select Men Tho<sup>s</sup> Waldron Town Clerk

March 21<sup>st</sup> 1778

At the Annual Meeting March 30<sup>th</sup> 1778

Voted Stephen Evans Esq<sup>r</sup> Moderator Tho<sup>s</sup> Waldron Esq<sup>r</sup> Clerk I Wentworth Esq<sup>r</sup> Clerk Pro Tempore

Voted That a Committee of Two Persons be Chosen to Enquire into the State of our Quota of Continental Troops & If we are found Lacking to take the most Effectual measures for filling up the Same

Voted That Capt John Gage & m<sup>r</sup> Aaron Wingate be the Committee for the above purpose

Ebenezer Clements } Chosen Jurors for Sessions & Inferior Court Isaac Nute }

April 1778

The Meeting adjourned to Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> Day of April next at one O'clock P.M. The above were the Transactions at said Meeting

Attest I Wentworth Esq<sup>r</sup> Clerk Pro Tempore Vert

Meet according to adjournment April 13 1778

Voted Colo m<sup>d</sup> Waldron }  
Andrew Torr } Selectmen  
Eph<sup>m</sup> Ham }

Voted W<sup>m</sup> Walson } Constables  
John Heard }

Voted Tho<sup>l</sup> Waldron }  
Caleb Hodgdon } Auditors

Voted John Conner }  
W<sup>m</sup> Walson } Sealers of Seather

Voted Joshua Wingate }  
Joseph Hanjon } Lot Layers  
John Waldron }  
Andrew Torr }  
Amos Peaslee }

Voted Jacob Sawyer }  
Sealer w<sup>th</sup> Measures

Voted In<sup>o</sup> B<sup>m</sup> Hanjon }  
J<sup>nl</sup> Gage } Surveyors  
Tho<sup>l</sup> Shannon } of Lumber  
Benj<sup>a</sup> Peirce }  
Moses Ham }

Voted Richard Kembal }  
Ichabod Hayes } Tything men

Voted Jon<sup>a</sup> Gage }  
Tho<sup>l</sup> Varney } Corders &  
measurers Wood

Voted Clement Mejerove }  
Ichabod Hayes } Fence  
In<sup>o</sup> Waldron 3<sup>d</sup> } Viewers  
Moses Roberts }

Voted Daniel Heard }  
Daniel Rendal } Field Drivers  
In<sup>o</sup> Hartford }  
Sedediah Drew }  
Joseph Waldron }  
Joseph Clements }

Voted In<sup>o</sup> B<sup>m</sup> Hanjon }  
Paul Welland } Surveyors  
James Varney } of Highway  
Amos Peaslee }  
Jona Hayes }  
Deacon Kembal }  
Ich<sup>d</sup> Hayes }

Voted Sam<sup>l</sup> Kicher }  
Amos Peaslee } Hog Reves  
Dan<sup>l</sup> Rendal }  
Moses Rand }

Voted That 6<sup>th</sup> Day be allowed for  
men & Oxen & 2<sup>d</sup> for Cart & Plow  
& that a Poll work one Day & other  
Estate in Proportion

Voted W<sup>m</sup> Walson Pound keeper  
Voted W<sup>m</sup> Horn Deer keeper

Voted For a County Treasurer 73 Votes & For a County Recorder 77

Voted That the Select men hire a Person or Persons to Collect what Money  
is to be raised this year

Voted That two Hundred Pounds be raised this year for the use of Schools  
& that it be Laid out for the best advantage of the whole Town

Voted On the Petition for a Road at Back River  
That the Select men upon view of the Premises Lay out the Road  
Petitioned for if they think Proper

Voted This meeting Adjourn'd to Monday the 1<sup>st</sup> Day of June 2 o'clock P.M.

June 1<sup>st</sup> 1778 meet according to adjournment of the Select men  
accounts Read & after much Conversation abt thirty Dollars Paid  
Isaac Walson a hired Soldier & a ten Dollar bill Counterfeit on neither  
of which any thing was Voted

Voted That the Select men Lay out the road at back river & adjust the  
Expence by Laying it on the Petitioners or town or Part on Each

Voted Isaac Roberts a hog Reve in room of Sam<sup>l</sup> Kicher who Refused to leave

Then the Meeting Dissolved

State of New Hampshire Notice is hereby given that whereas Col Stephen Evans has lately received orders from the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Committee of Safety for said State for thirty men to be raised out of his Regiment & sent forward immediately to serve as soldiers & to reinforce General Sullivan's Division in the State of Rhode Island at Providence & the proportion from this Town of Dover being six men at the request of the request of Colo Evans There is to be a Town Meeting Call'd & held by the Inhabitants of said Town all such as are Legal Voters in Town Meetings at three o'clock after noon to be held at the meeting house on Monday the 15<sup>th</sup> Day of June within said Town to see if the Town will assist the Militia Officers in getting said men & act on the Premises & do what they think best when Convenied all Concern'd are Desir'd to give their attendance at time & Place Dover June 13 1778

John Waldron  
Eph<sup>m</sup> Ham  
Andrew Torr

Dover June 15<sup>th</sup> 1778  
at a Meeting held at the meeting house

Voted  
Voted  
Voted  
Voted  
Voted

Deacon Shadrach Hodgdon Moderator  
Nath<sup>l</sup> Cooper Clerk Pro Tempore  
That this Meeting Proceed to the business for the Purpose mentioned in the Notification  
Mr John B<sup>m</sup> Hanson Colo Joshua Wingate Maj<sup>r</sup> Caleb Hodgdon be a Committee to hire six men as soldiers to go to Rhode Island to reinforce General Sullivan's Division  
That the Committee apply to the Select men for what money is Requisite beside the State bounty & that the Select men advance the money accordingly Then the meeting was Dissolved Test N Cooper Clerk Pro Tempore

To W<sup>m</sup> Watson one of the Constables for the Town of Dover you are hereby ordered forth with to warn a Town meeting of the Inhabitants of said Dover to meet at the Meetinghouse in Dover on Tuesday the Eighth Day of December next to Choose two Suitable Persons to Represent them in General Court also to Choose Two Good men as Counsellors at the same Time Given under our hands at Dover this 23<sup>d</sup> Day of Nov<sup>r</sup> 1778

NB at 1 o'clock afternoon  
John Waldron } Select men  
Eph<sup>m</sup> Ham }  
Andrew Torr }

According to the within Warrant I have warned my Part of the Town Meeting  
William Watton

a like Notification was given to John Heard the other Constable of Dover & a like return made thereon

Pursuant to the within Warrant John Wentworth Ju<sup>s</sup> Esq<sup>r</sup> Chosen Moderator — Chose John Wentworth Ju<sup>s</sup> Esq<sup>r</sup> & Maj<sup>r</sup> Caleb Hodgdon Representatives — & brot In Votes for Counsellors  
51 votes  
John B<sup>m</sup> Hanson Clerk Pro Tempore

This is to Notify the Legal Voters of the Town of Dover that on Monday the 28<sup>th</sup> Day of December Instant at 2 o'clock afternoon a Public Town meeting is to be held at the meetinghouse in said Dover for the following Purposes Viz

To Draw Three Persons for Petit Jurors at the General Sessions & Inferior Court to be held the 12<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> of January next  
To hear

To hear the request of Lieut<sup>t</sup> Enoch Chace that some Provision may be made by the Town for his family while he is attending the Duty of a Soldier in the Service of the united States for reasons then to be given & to act thereon as shall be thot<sup>t</sup> Proper

Further the Select men hereby give notice that at 5 o'clock P.M. of said 28<sup>th</sup> of Dec<sup>r</sup> they intend by Vendue, (alms<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Gages) to Sel out the building a Pound or Timber for building it in convenient Lots unless some other method more suitable should be thot<sup>t</sup> of & adopted at said Meeting

Dover Dec<sup>r</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> 1778 By order of the Selectmen Tho<sup>s</sup> W<sup>h</sup> Waldron Town Clerk

At a Public Town Meeting Legally Warned & held at the Meeting house in Dover this 28<sup>th</sup> Day of Dec<sup>r</sup> 1778 & the then Convened Voted as followeth Viz

Made Choice of Otis Baker Esq<sup>r</sup> Moderator

Made Choice of John Gage Town Clerk Pro Tempore

& then there was Drawn to Serve as Petit Jurors at the general Sessions & Inferior Court to be held the 12<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> of Jan<sup>y</sup> next M<sup>r</sup> James Varney Tobias Varney & Eliphallet Coffin

& then the Moderator adjourn'd this Meeting to Jonathan Gages Tavern Met at Jonathan Gages Tavern according to adjournment & then the Convened Voted as followeth

Voted That the Select men of the Town of Dover Supply Lieut<sup>t</sup> Enoch Chaces Family in his absence while in the Army Twenty Shillings p<sup>r</sup> Month as they supply the Soldiers with at the Regulation Prices he paying as the Soldiers Does & Then the Moderator Dissolved the Meeting without Day Attest John Gage Town Clerk Protempore

The three last town meetings Entered from the minutes brot me by Mess<sup>rs</sup> Cooper Hanfon & Gage each being a Clerk Protempore Tho<sup>s</sup> W<sup>h</sup> Waldron Town Clerk

Annual Meeting

This is To Notify the Legal Voters of the Town of Dover That the Annual Meeting For the Choice of Town Officers (a County Treasurer & a County Recorder of Deeds &c<sup>a</sup>) as the Law directs is to be held on Monday the 29<sup>th</sup> of March Instant at One o'clock P.M. at the Meeting house in said Town

Also to draw two men to serve as petit Jurors at the general Sessions the Second Tuesday of April next & the Inferior court the Thursday following said courts to be held at Durham

Also to hear the request for laying out a road through Land in Possession of M<sup>r</sup> John Hanford for the benefit of M<sup>r</sup> Moses Rand also to hear the petition of M<sup>r</sup> William Horn for a road from the highway to his Land

Also to hear the request of M<sup>r</sup> John Hanfon relative to the Road that leads to his House from Littleworth road

Also to hear the request of Capt John Gage relative to the Pound also to hear the request of M<sup>r</sup> John B<sup>m</sup> Hanfon relative to a ten

Dollar Bill counterfeit which he took when Collector

And to act on the five last articles as the Town shall think proper

Dover March 20<sup>th</sup> 1779 By order of the Selectmen Tho<sup>s</sup> W<sup>h</sup> Waldron Town Clerk

At the Annual Town Meeting holden in Dover on Monday March 29<sup>th</sup> 1779

Voted First Capt John Gage Moderator

2<sup>d</sup> Thomas Westbrook Esq<sup>r</sup> Town Clerk

3<sup>d</sup> John Wentworth M<sup>r</sup> Esq<sup>r</sup> Clerk Pro Tempore

Voted To chuse a Committee of three Persons to examine the Accounts of the Selectmen & Report thereon to this meeting at the adjournment The

The Persons Chosen Viz, Colo Joshua Wingate Mr M<sup>r</sup> B<sup>m</sup> Hanjon & Mr John Hielle

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Solomon Perkins & Francis Drew were drawn as Jurors for April Courts agreeable to the Venire issued for that purpose

A county Treasurer & County Recorder of Deeds were Chosen & then the Meeting Adjourned to Monday the 5<sup>th</sup> Day of April next at one of the Clock P.M.

Monday the 5<sup>th</sup> day of April 1779 met according to Adjournment

The Committee appointed to Examine the Selectmens account reported That they had not completed said business & the Selectmen producing to the meeting their Vouchers for said account

Voted That said Comitte be dismissed from further Service

Upon motion made to see if the meeting would receive & allow the account of the Select men it was put & passed in the negative

Voted Colo Joshua Wingate }  
Mr M<sup>r</sup> B<sup>m</sup> Hanjon } Select men  
Capt John Gage }

Voted Mess<sup>rs</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Watson }  
John Heard } Constables

Voted Tho<sup>s</sup> W<sup>h</sup> Waldron }  
May<sup>r</sup> Caleb Hodgdon } Auditors

Voted Mr Jacob Sawyer Dealer w<sup>th</sup> Measures

Voted Mess<sup>rs</sup> Joshua Wingate }  
Joseph Hanjon } Lot  
John Waldron } Layers  
Andrew Torr }  
Amos Peaslee }

Voted Mess<sup>rs</sup> J<sup>n</sup> B<sup>m</sup> Hanjon }  
Capt John Gage } Surveyors of Lumber  
Tho<sup>s</sup> Shannon }  
Benj<sup>a</sup> Peirce }  
Moses Ham }

Voted Mess<sup>rs</sup> Rich<sup>d</sup> Kembal }  
Schabod Hayes } Tything men

Voted Mess<sup>rs</sup> Jon<sup>a</sup> Gage }  
Paul Welland } Measurers & Corders of Wood

Voted Mess<sup>rs</sup> Clement Myer }  
Ich<sup>d</sup> Hayes } Fence Viewers  
Moses Roberts }  
Saml<sup>d</sup> Heard }

Voted Mess<sup>rs</sup> Daniel Randel }  
Nich<sup>s</sup> Harford }  
Jed<sup>d</sup> Drew } Field Drivers  
Joseph Waldron }  
Joseph Clements }  
Daniel Heard w<sup>r</sup> }  
Paul Welland }

Voted Mess<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>r</sup> B<sup>m</sup> Hanjon }  
Paul Welland } Surveyors of  
Capt Tho<sup>s</sup> Young } High Ways  
Amos Peaslee }  
Eph<sup>m</sup> Kembal }  
Ich<sup>d</sup> Hayes }  
Jon<sup>a</sup> Hayes }

Voted Isaac Roberts }  
Joseph Nute } Hog reeves  
Nich<sup>s</sup> Harford }  
Daniel Randel }

Voted Mr William Watson Pound keeper  
Voted Mr William Horn Beer Keeper

Voted That five Dollars a Day be allowed for working on the highways

Voted That a single Head work one day on the highways & that all other Rateable Estate be considered in that Proportion

On reading & Considering the request of Isaac Horn w<sup>th</sup> Others for a road through Land in Possession of John Harford

Voted That the Selectmen at the expence of the Said Horn & others view the premises & lay out said road if they see fit

On reading & considering the request of W<sup>m</sup> Horn for a Road  
Voted That the Selectmen at the expence of ~~the~~ Said Horn View the Premises & Lay the same out if they see fit

On hearing & considering the request of John Hanjon for Liberty to exchange a Road

Voted That said request be granted

On hearing the request of Capt John Gage respecting the Pound It was moved that the question be put whether the Town will allow him any further Consideration on that account which Question being put it passed in the Negative — And then the Meeting Further Ad Journed to the third Monday of April Current at two of the Clock P.M.

Monday



167 Monday April 19<sup>th</sup> 1779 Met according to Adjournment

Voted That a Committee of three be chosen to confer with the late Selectmen respecting their account & report thereon to the Town at the Adjournment  
The Persons Chosen Colo Otis Baker M<sup>r</sup> Nath<sup>l</sup> Cooper Deacon Eph<sup>m</sup> Kimball

Voted That said Committee request the said Selectmen to meet them at some convenient time & place for that purpose

Voted That the Vote respecting Capt Gages request relative to the Pound be & hereby is reconsidered & that the sum of thirty pounds Lawful Money be & hereby is granted him to be paid by the Selectmen out of the Town Treasury  
Then the Meeting Adjourned to the first Monday in May next at two o'clock P.M.

Monday May 3<sup>d</sup> 1779 Met according to Adjournment

The Committee appointed to confer with the late Selectmen respecting their accounts reported Verbally that they had met and conferred with them examined the several articles of charge in said account & the Vouchers therefor & that they think it best for all Parties concerned that said account be allowed deducting therefrom thirteen pounds ten shillings

Which report being duly Considered

Voted That the same be received & accepted

Voted <sup>That</sup> Mess<sup>rs</sup> Timothy White & Be Pything men in addition to those already & Jon<sup>a</sup> Bickford s Chosen

& then the meeting was Dissolved

The foregoing proceedings are Authentick

Attest John Gage Moderator

Copy Ex<sup>d</sup> from the Minutes Done by In<sup>o</sup> Wentworth Jun<sup>r</sup> Esq<sup>r</sup>

Thos<sup>o</sup> W<sup>o</sup> Waldron Town Clerk

This is To Notify the Legal voters of the Town of Dover That on Monday the 19<sup>th</sup> of April Instant at three o'clock P.M. ~~on Monday the 19<sup>th</sup> of April Instant~~ a Town Meeting is to be held at the meetinghouse in said Town when the following articles are to be acted on as the Town shall then think proper Viz

First To see if the Town will empower the Selectmen to hire a Collector to gather the Taxes for the present year

Secondly To see what the Town will do with respect to Schools

thirdly To see if the Town will appoint an agent to supply the Soldiers Families

fourthly To see if the Town will furnish Capt Enoch Chases Family any farther

fifthly To hear the Petition of Amos Peaslee & others for a road at Back River

Likewise to see what the Town will do with respect to money to carry on the Town Business as there is none in stock & to see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise the Present year by order of the selectmen

Dover April 10<sup>th</sup> 1779

Thos<sup>o</sup> W<sup>o</sup> Waldron Town Clerk

At a Town meeting holden at Dover Monday April 19<sup>th</sup> 1779

Voted Capt John Gage Moderator

Voted John Wentworth Jun<sup>r</sup> Esq<sup>r</sup> Clerk Pro Tempore

Voted That the Selectmen be Impowered to hire a Collector to gather the Taxes for the year current in the cheapest manner they are able

Voted That three hundred pounds be raised for the Support of Schools the year current

On hearing & Considering the request of m<sup>r</sup> Amos Peaslee respecting a Road

Voted That the selectmen at the Expence of said Peaslee view the Premises & Lay out

Out said road if they see fit

Voted

That the Select men raise what money they shall think necessary for the town the year current & that they are hereby authorized & impowered to hire money for carrying on the necessary Town Business And then the Meeting was Dissolved  
Copy from the Minutes to me by S<sup>r</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Waldron J<sup>r</sup> & S<sup>r</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Waldron & C<sup>l</sup>k

State of New Hamp<sup>t</sup>  
Strafford Ss

To William Watson one of the Constables of the Town of Dover you are hereby Required without loss of time to warn all the legal Voters of Dover to attend a meeting of said Town to be held at the meetinghouse in Dover on Monday the tenth Instant at one of the Clock afternoon to hear the Request of Colo Stephen Evans with respect to raising Soldiers Whether the Town when convened will Vote any sum or sums of Money to raise said men or take any other method for said purposes & make return to us of your Proceeding before said meeting for which this shall be your sufficient Warrant Given under our Hands Dover May 7<sup>th</sup> 1779  
Joshua Wingate } Select  
John Gage } Men  
In<sup>o</sup> B<sup>m</sup> Hanjon }

Strafford Ss Dover May 8<sup>th</sup> 1779

By Virtue of the Within I have warned the Freeholders of the Town of Dover to attend at time & place for the purposes within mentioned  
William Watson Constable for Dover

At a Public Town meeting held at Dover this tenth Day of May 1779 agreeable to the within Warrant First

Voted Deacon Shadrach Hodgdon Moderator

2<sup>d</sup> John B<sup>m</sup> Hanjon Clerk Pro Tempore

3<sup>d</sup> Voted That the Select men advance the Continental & State bounty agreeable to a Request of the Committee of Safety if they have it in Stock & if not the Select men are Impowered to hire money for said Purpose

Voted That there be a Committee of three men to Inlist the Quota of Soldiers which fall to the Town of Dover to raise agreeable to orders given Col<sup>o</sup> Stephen Evans April 8 1779 on the best terms they can Engage them & to call on the Select men for money to pay said men who are Impowered to hire the same & said Committee make return to the Select men

Voted Colo Otis Baker W<sup>m</sup> Eph<sup>m</sup> Ham & Sam<sup>l</sup> Kielle be a Committee for the above Purpose & this Meeting Dissolved Test John B<sup>m</sup> Hanjon Clerk Pro Tempore  
Copy Examined from the Minutes to me by John B<sup>m</sup> Hanjon Tho<sup>s</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Waldron Town Clerk

This is to Notify the Inhabitants of Dover Paying Taxes (therein) to attend a meeting to be held the fifth Instant at 2 o'clock P.M. at the Meetinghouse in said Town To Vote what In encouragement the Town will give (over what is allow'd by Law) to such Persons as may be engaged for the Continental Army one year & for the Army at Rhode Island six months

To Vote any method may be that best for raising said men & Money for defraying the charge By Order of the Select men Tho<sup>s</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Waldron Town Clerk  
Dover July 3<sup>o</sup> 1779 Pursuant to this Notification Monday July 5<sup>th</sup> 1779  
Deacon Shadrach Hodgdon Moderator

Voted That the Select men advance the Continental bounty being sixty Pounds & State bounty of thirty Pounds & travel for five men & if they have it not in hand that they hire the same & have Power to raise it in the next years Tax

Voted That a Committee be Chosen to hire Eight Men for the Continental Army one year & five men for the service at Rhode Island six months that they be Impowered to agree with said men in the best manner