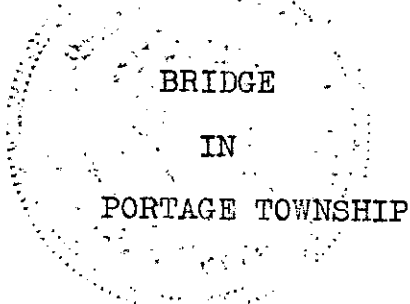


No. 6 June Sessions, 1931.

IN THE COURT OF QUARTER
SESSIONS OF CAMBRIA COUNTY,
PENNSYLVANIA.



ORDER TO VIEW.

and
Report of Viewers.

Filed 3 August 1931.

*Order given, April 28, 1931, the withstanding Viewers
having been examined, we enclosed and find that the bridge
within referred to is necessary and that the reconstruction is
the expense for the benefit of Portage & from
By the Court
E. W. Brown J.*

R E P O R T O F B R I D G E V I E W E R S .

To the Honorable, the Judges of the Court of Quarter Sessions of
Cambria County, Pennsylvania.

We, the undersigned members of the Permanent Board of Viewers of Cambria County, appointed by your Honorable Court and upon the attached order directed to view and determine as to the necessity for a new bridge in Portage Township, Cambria County, Pa.; where the the public road leading from Portage to the Frankstown road is crossed, at the foot of Chapel Hill, by the stream known as Cain Creek; respectfully report:-

That having given due notice of the view and of the time and place of meeting of the viewers to the Commissioners of Cambria County and the Supervisors of the Township of Portage and to the traveling public by printed hand bills posted in conspicuous places along the public highway in the vicinity of the site of the proposed ~~present~~ bridge and having each been first duly sworn according to law to perform the duties of our appointment faithfully, impartially and to the best of our judgment and ability: All of us met at the time and place appointed, in accord with the notices posted and served as aforesaid, and having viewed the site of the present structure and the whole situation in the vicinity of the proposed new bridge; noting that at present there are two four foot concrete pipes under the road way at this point which it is very evident are wholly insufficient to carry the water during any freshet or wet season or in the event of a heavy rain continuing for any length of time.

A short distance above the site viewed two streams meet, the one coming down from the locality known as Spring Hill and the other coming in from the south westward, besides there in a considerable water shed draining its surface water into the stream which thus swells the stream to probably three to four times the capacity of the conduits under the road and owing to the lay of the land at this particular point the pipe^{will}/not even carry their full capacity of water as the bed of the stream below is almost

on a level with the bed of the stream above.

From the testimony of Mr. M. A. Sanders and Mr. John Timura, two of the Supervisors of the Township of Portage we learn as follows: That the road leading from Portage to the Frankstown road and Johnstown is a much used thoroughfare carrying a great deal of through traffic. That frequently the flow of water coming to the conduits under the road at this point very much exceeds the capacity of the present pipes and as a result overflows the township road from the approach on the northerly side of the bridge to a point nearly three hundred feet northward, washing out the road and creating a dangerous condition so that the traffic has had to be stopped and required to detour many miles around.

That the bonded indebtedness of the Township of Portage is approximately \$63,000.00, with some \$7,000.00. of short time notes outstanding and only a few dollars in the treasury and conditions such that the taxes cant be collected. Accordingly we recommend: the township of Portage being financially unable: that a new bridge of the dimentions indicated on draft be built at the expense of the County of Cambria

Witness our hands this 3rd. day

of August, A. D., 1931.

Adam Sherman

J. D. Ritter

A. M. Shoemaker

NOTICE of BRIDGE VIEW.

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Said viewers will meet at the site of the present old bridge, in Portage Township, Cambria County, Pennsylvania, at 10:00 o'clock a. m., E. S. T., July 30th 1931, for the purpose of performing the duties of their appointment.

A. M. Shoemaker,
J. D. Ritter and
Adam Shuman,
Viewers.

Service of the above notice is hereby accepted for the Commissioners of Cambria County, Pennsylvania.

Walter C. Fort
Asst. Clerk.

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M. W. Saunders

Supervisor.

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Charles Wills

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Said viewers will meet at the site of the present old brigge at 10:00 o'clock a. m., July 3, 1931, E. S. T., for the purpose of performing the duties of their appointment.

A. M. Shoemaker,

J. D. Ritter and

Adam Shuman,

Viewers.

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Costs of View

A. M. Shoemaker
 Preparing, posting & serving
 notices of view & notifying viewers - \$18⁰⁰ ✓
 Stenographer & stationery — 2⁴⁵ ✓
 24 miles @ 10¢ per mile — 2⁴⁰ ✓
 Day on view, hearing & consultation 12⁰⁰ ✓
 24 miles @ 10¢ — 2⁴⁰ ✓
 Engineering work & expense — 23⁷⁵ ✓
 Preparing report of viewers, hav-
 ing same signed, assembling
 and filing — 18⁰⁰ ✓
 Stenographer & stationery — 2³⁵ ✓
\$81⁰⁵

J. D. Ritter

Day on view, hearing & 12⁰⁰ ✓
 38 miles — 5⁸⁰ ✓
\$17⁸⁰ ✓

J. Adam Shuman

Day on view, hearing & 12⁰⁰ ✓
 46 miles — 4⁶⁰ ✓
\$16⁶⁰ ✓

APPROVED FOR PAYMENT

[Signature]

[Signature]

COMMISSIONERS

State of Pennsylvania

SS.

County of Cambria

Before me, James McClune, Deputy Controller, personally came A. M. Shoemaker, one of the viewers named on the attached order of Court, who being duly sworn according to law deposes and says that the items contained in the attached bill relative to time of employment, milage, stenographer, stationery, postage &c. are true and correct and the expense of auto hire, help, stenographer, stationery, help &c. paid and settled as he verily believes.

A. M. Shoemaker

Sworn and subscribed to this

3rd. day of August, A. D., 1931.

James McClune
Deputy Controller.

IN THE COURT OF QUARTER SESSIONS OF CAMBRIA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA.

TO THE HONORABLE JUDGES OF SAID COURT:

The petition of the undersigned respectfully represents:

1. That they are the supervisors of the Township of Portage, County of Cambria and State of Pennsylvania.

2. That the bridge at the foot of Chapel Hill in the township road leading from the boundary line of Portage Borough at Caldwell Avenue to the Frankstown Road in the Township of Portage is inadequate to accommodate the public travel on the said township road in a safe and convenient manner and is in need of reconstruction.

3. That to reconstruct said bridge will required more expense than it is reasonable that the said township should bear.

Your petitioners therefore pray that your honorable Court order a view in the manner provided by law, and if on the report of viewers it shall appear to the Court, Grand Jury and Commissioners of the County that such bridge is necessary and would be too expensive for the Township of Portage to bear, it be reconstructed at the expense of the County and be entered on record as a County bridge.

Chas. Miller
John Timura
M. A. Sanders.

Now, the 29th day of June, A. D. 1931, the within petition having been presented and considered, the Court appoint A.M. Shoemaker, Esq., Adam Shuman and J. D. Ritter to view the ground proposed for such bridge and to make report of their proceedings to the Court at the September Term.

By the Court,

Evans, P. J.

Extract from the Record.

Certified this 1st day
of July, A. D. 1931.

Frank B. Robb.

Clerk of the Court of Quarter
Sessions.

No. 6 June Sessions, 1931

In the Court of Quarter Sessions,
Cambria County, Pennsylvania

In Re: PORTAGE TOWNSHIP

PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF
VIEWERS

Filed, 29 June 1931

Act of 1907, June 12, P. R. 5-23
Section 1.

LEECH AND HIBBS,
ATTORNEYS AT LAW
EBENSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

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DE C R E E

Now, the *29th* day of June, A. D. 1931, the within petition having been presented and considered, the Court appoint *Wm. Shremaker*, *Adam Shum* and *J. D. Rith* to view the ground proposed for such bridge and to make report of their proceedings to the Court at the September Term.

By the Court
Evans P. J.

Sketch showing the location and recommended size of a proposed new bridge at the foot of Chapel Hill, on the public road leading from the end of Caldwell Avenue, in Portage Borough; to the Frankstown road, in Portage Township, Cambria Co., Pa.

Viewed upon an order of the Court of Quarter Sessions of Cambria County, Pa., dated the 22nd day of June, A. D., 1931 and entered to No. 6 June Session, 1931.

A. M. Shoemaker,
Adam Shuman
and J. D. Ritter,
Viewers.

