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New Hall contract
awarded to Andrew
Erikson to build the
hall for \$2296.00 in the
year 1907 Aug 16th

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Annual Township Meeting held April 2d 1906

The following are the minutes of the Proceedings at the annual meeting of the Town of Bates held on the 2d day of April A.D. 1906 in School House No 2 in the Township of Bates that being the same place in which the last annual meeting of said Township was held Pursuant to the Statute in such case made and provided

April 2d 1906 7 a.m. The Board of Inspectors of Election was then duly organized with Olof Helgmo as Chairman and Israel Carlson Clerk and Emil Soderquist Gotthard Norden as the other Inspectors and Victor Carlson as Second Clerk and Adolf Forsberg as Enrollment Clerk.

The Inspector on motion appointed John Soderquist whose name was not on any ticket at the election as Gate keeper. The Constitutional Oath of office was then administered to the Inspector Clerks and Gate keeper which oaths are in writing and are in the Poll Books provided for this day and are on file in the Clerks office. The Ballot box kept by the Township Clerk was then examined by the Chairman and Inspector of Election and the contents removed therefrom and was then locked by the Chairman and the key thereof delivered to Olof Helgmo one of the Inspectors designated by motion of the Board of Inspectors.

The Chairman then announced that the polls were now duly open for the election of the officers as provided by Statute for this day which

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Said announcement was simultaneous
by Proclaimed John Soderqvist Gale Kupper
The Ballot Box were then duly opened
marked and prepared for Balloting, and,
Voting commenced by Ballotting
at 11 a.m. The Board of Inspectors duly
resolved that at twelve o'clock noon
the Board would adjourn for one hour
which was then duly Proclaimed by the
Gale Kupper John Soderqvist
at 1145 a.m John Soderqvist the Gale Kupper
Proclaimed that at 12 O'clock noon the
Board of Inspectors would adjourn for
one hour, 12 o'clock noon the Board
of Inspectors adjourned for one hour
Pursuant to the resolution which
was Proclaimed by John Soderqvist
the Gale Kupper, and that at 1 P.M the
annual Township business to be
transacted after the business of said
meeting was transacted the Polls of said
Election was again opened.

The Clerk then compared Poll list and
Corrected mistakes under the direction
of the Board of Inspectors until their Poll
list corresponded. The Ballot Box
was then opened and Poll list placed there
in and the box locked and carefully sealed
Pursuant to the Statute.

at 1 P.M. April 2d 1906 there was
transacted the following business and
proceedings in School House No 2 aforesaid
that being the same place in which the
last annual Township meeting was held
there were present Charles Olson Supervisor of
said Township of Bates who called the
meeting to order and acted as moderator

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of the meeting. Israel Carlson Township Clerk of said Township who acted as Clerk of the meeting and Fifty Thru (The moderator then)

Electors qualified to vote at a Township meeting the moderator then Presented and Read to the meeting the statement of the Commissioner of Highways made pursuant to the Statute in such case made and provided to the annual meeting of the Township Board of said Township which said statement said Township board had order to be presented at the annual meeting of said Township and which statement is on file in the Township Clerk office the following resolution was then offered by August Kranzly an Elector of said Township then Present and Voting at said meeting and who did not reside in any incorporated village therfor be it Resolved that there be raised for highway purposes in the Township of Balsam for the next ensuing year a Tax of one half of 1 Percent on the aggregate assessed valuation of the Property of said Township of Balsam who moved the adoption which motion was seconded by C. J. Gustafson an Elector not residing in any incorporated village there being no amendment to and after the discussion of the resolution the moderator stated that that only those not residing in any incorporated village were entitled to vote on the adoption of the resolution and that a vote by dividing the meeting would then be taken which vote was then taken

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and the result publicly stated by the moderator to be as follows Twenty five 75 qualified electors voted for and none voted against the adoption of the resolution whereupon the resolution was declared adopted by the moderator.

The following resolution was then presented by August Kranz a qualified elector of the Township of Berlin Resolved that there be raised for contingent or ordinary expenses of the Township aforesaid for the ensuing year the sum of One Five Hundred Dollars who moved its adoption which motion was duly supported by C. J. Gastafson a qualified elector there being no amendments to and after discussion of the resolution the moderator stated that a vote upon the adoption of the proposed resolution would be taken by dividing the meeting and that all the qualified electors were entitled to vote the vote was then accordingly taken and the result thereof stated by the moderator to be as follows Twenty five qualified electors voted in favor of and none voted against the adoption of the resolution. Whereupon the resolution was declared duly adopted by the moderator.

The president of the Board of Education then publicly read to the meeting the report or statement as required by Section 12 of act No 176 of the Public acts of 1891 the following resolution was then offered by Louis Olson an elector qualified to vote on the question Resolved that the sum of three thousand dollars be raised by tax for all school purposes for the ensuing year which resolution he moved to be adopted which motion was supported by Louis Olson an elector qualified to vote on the question there being no discussion

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or amendment of the resolution a vote of all those qualified to vote on the question was then taken by dividing the meeting and the results thereof stated by the moderator to be as follows Twenty four Electors qualified to vote on the question voted in favor of the resolution and none voted against the adoption of the resolution whereupon the moderator declared the resolution duly adopted.

The Township Clerk then openly and distinctly read to the meeting the accounts for the support of the poor within the Township for the preceding year as the same have been allowed and passed by the Township Board. The Supervisor then presented and read to the meeting an estimate of the sum which he deemed necessary for the support of the poor for the ensuing year.

The following resolution was then presented by Olof Anderson a qualified elector of the Township Resolved That a sum of Six Hundred and Twenty Four Dollars be assessed on the Township of Balter for the ensuing year for the purpose of providing for the poor and the support for the poor of the Township aforesaid for the ensuing year and moved that it be adopted which motion was supported by John Nilson a qualified voter and elector of the Township. The moderator then stated that all the electors qualified to vote on the question there being no amendment or discussion the moderator then stated that a vote on the adoption of the resolution would be taken by dividing the meeting which vote was then accordingly taken.

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and the result of the vote stated by the moderator to be as follows: Twenty four qualified electors voted in favor of the adoption of the resolution whereupon the resolution was duly declared adopted by the moderator.

There being no further business to be transacted except the election of officers the town voice business was then in motion duly closed and the polls opened for the further balloting for officers which was duly proclaimed by the gate keeper 4 P.M. the gate keeper proclaiming that at 5 o'clock P.M. the polls would close 4 3 P.M. the gate keeper proclaiming that in thirty minutes or at 5 o'clock the polls would close 5 P.M. the chairman stated that the polls would now close and the polls were closed.

The voters were then publicly canvassed according to the statute in such case made and provided after the teller or ballot had been counted the result thereof and the number of votes received by each candidate or person on the ticket was then publicly declared by the chairman to be as follows: for supervisor

Symmons	Charles Olson	received	55	Voter
	Frank Erickson	"	37	"
Clark	Township Clerk			
	Carl J Gustafson	"	29	"
	Victor Brown	"	58	"
for Township Treasurer		"		
	Andrew Erickson	"	46	"
	George Guldett	"	44	"
for Commissioner of Highways				

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	Edward Sjogren received	40	Votes
	Nels Hanson	51	"
for	Overseer of Highways		
	James LilClair	56	"
	Charly Erickson	34	"
for	Justice of the Peace		
	August Krantz	58	"
	Victor Forsby	25	"
for	Justice of the Peace & Fill Vacancy		
	August Johnson	60	"
	Isak Hindrikson	22	"
for	School Inspector		
	Albo Lendqvist	43	"
	Peter Sjogren	46	"
for	Member Board of Education		
	John E. Nilson	37	"
	Charly Norm	46	"
for	Member Board of Review		
	Lars Olson	48	"
	John Granberg	35	"
for	Constable.		
	Axel Anderson	48	"
	Peter G. Johnson	40	"

The whole number of voters given for and against the question for calling and holding a convention for the purpose of making a general revision of the Constitution was eighty, of which number Thirty, 30 voters were given for and in favor of said question and Fifty voters were given against said question.

An duplicated statement of said result showing the whole number of voter cast for each officer the name of the person for which each voter was cast and the number of voter each candidate received were forthwith prepared and duly filed

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according to Law there being no further business the meeting therefore adjourned

Victor Brinson

Clerk of Bates Township

J. Israel Carlson Clerk of the annual
Township meeting held at School House 9702
on the 2d Day of April A.D 1906 do hereby
certify that the foregoing is a correct
transcript of all the motions resolutions
and Proceedings made done and adopted
at the regular annual Township meeting
held at the Place and on the Date as
afore said That being the same
Place in which the last annual Township
meeting was held

In testimony whereof I have hereunto
subscribed my name

Victor Brinson

Clerk of Bates Town

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Township Treasurer Bond

Know all men by these Presents that we Andrew Erickson as Principal and August Johnson Erick Anderson Charles Langendorf and William H. Windsor as Sureties or
held and firmly bound unto the Township
of Bates in the County of Iron State
of Michigan in the sum of
Five Thousand (\$ 5000.00) Dollars for the
Payment of which we will and truly to
be made in lawful money of the United
States of America. We jointly and
severally bind ourselves our heirs
executors and administrators forever
firmly by these Presents.

Sealed with our seals, and Dated
this twentieth day of April, A.D 1906

The condition of the above obligation
is such that if the above named Andrew Erickson
shall faithfully discharge the duties of his
office as Township Treasurer of the Township
of Bates in the County of Iron and shall
faithfully and truly account for and pay
over according to law all moneys which shall
come into his hands as such Treasurer
then the said obligation to be good other-
wise to remain in full force and effect
Signed sealed and delivered
in presence of

D. W. Byers
M. J. Wappan

<u>D. W. Byers</u>	Andrew Erickson Seal
<u>M. J. Wappan</u>	August Johnson Seal
	Erick Anderson Seal
	Charles Langendorf Seal
	William H. Windsor Seal

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Township Treasurers Bond Continued

State of Michigan, }
 County of Ionia }
 1st

August Johnson, Eric Anderson
 Charles Langendorf and William H. Windsor
 being duly sworn each for himself,
 doth depose and say that he is worth in
 unencumbered property not exempt from
 execution under the laws of this state
 after payment of all just debts, claims
 and liabilities the sum written after
 his name to-wit

August Johnson is worth	\$ 1000 ⁰⁰
Eric Anderson is worth	\$ 1000 ⁰⁰
Charles Langendorf is worth	\$ 1000 ⁰⁰
William H. Windsor is worth	\$ 2000 ⁰⁰

Subscribed and sworn to
 before me this 7th day of
 April, 1906.

Wook W. Byers
 Notary Public.

My commission expires September

20th 1908

} August Johnson
 Eric Anderson
 Charles Langendorf
 William H. Windsor

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Township Clerks Bond

Known all men by these Presents that we
 Victor Brinson of the Township of Bates
 Iron County Michigan as principal and
 Olof Anderson and Olof Benson of the
 same place as sureties, as held and
 firmly bound unto the Township of Bates
 in the County of Iron State of Michigan
 for ever in the Penal sum of One
 Thousand Dollars, lawfully money
 of the United States for the Payment
 of which sum we will and truly to be
 made to the said Township or to its
 certain attorney, We jointly and
 severally bind ourselves our heirs
 executors and administrators for ever
 firmly by these Presents.

Sealed with our seals and dated this
 sixt^h day of April A D 1906.

The condition of the above obligation
 is such that if the above named
 Victor Brinson shall duly and faithfully
 perform the duties of his office as Township
 Clerk of the Township of Bates in the
 County of Iron according to Law and
 especially shall safely keep the records,
 Books and Papers of said Township
 in the manner required by law,
 and shall deliver said records Books
 and Papers on demand to his successor
 in office then the said obligation to be
 void other wise to remain in full force
 sealed and delivered

in presence of	{	Victor Brinson	(L.S.)
Peter Joprist and		Olof Anderson	(L.S.)
Nels Hansen		Olof Benson	(L.S.)

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Township Clerk Bond Continued

State of Michigan, 1885

County of Iron Olof Anderson and
Olof Bruns of the Township of Balsor in
Said County of Iron Sworn to the
Principal named in the within and foregoing
Bond, being duly sworn each for himself
deposes and says that he is worth in
encumbered Property not exempt from
execution under the laws of this State
the sum of Four Hundred Dollars after
payment of all just debts claims and
liabilities

Subscribed and } Olof Anderson
Sworn to before me } Olof Bruns
This 9th day of April

A.D. 1906

Emil Sodqvist
Justice of the Peace