

At a General Meeting of the Proprietors of the Thames & Severn Canal Navigation held at the Kings Head Inn, in Cirencester on Tuesday the 4th day of October 1785 in pursuance of an adjournment made 26th April last

Ordered that the Clerk of the Works do write to Mr. Thomas Lane to ask if he has received the Attorney Generals opinion ordered to be taken by the General Assembly of 5th October 1784. in case he has not received such opinion, to desire he will endeavour to procure it forthwith

That Mr. Auzere be authorized to treat with Lord Bathurst for the purchase of Tenors Mill, and the Water, with Land sufficient to form a Reservoir in the Meadow adjoining if necessary - That Mr. Chambers & Mr. Black be desired to furnish Mr. Auzere with the necessary Instructions for treating with Lord Bathurst.

That a Call of £50000 be made upon the Proprietors to be paid into the hands of the Treasurer on or before the 15th day of December next. and that Notice of this Call be given by the Treasurer to all the Prop^{rs} by Letter within 14 days from this day.

That the Earl of Radnor, Sir Edw. Littleton, Bart. Esq. Loudon Loudon, Esq. Wm Capel, James Berry, Tho. Stevenson, Esq. Chambers, Lowbridge, Wright, Tho. Lane, Esq. Robert Bayard, James Black, & John Chatter, be, and they are hereby elected a Committee for conducting the Works and managing the Affairs of this Company.

That this General Assembly of Proprietors be adjourned to the first Tuesday in April next 1786. at the Kings Head Inn, in Cirencester

		Pro ^{ts} forward	160
for Edward Littleton	100	Rob ^t Bayard	10
for the Earl of Radnor	10	Do for In ^o Lubin Boisjart Esq	20
for Mr. Loudon Loudon Esq	20	Do for Lowbridge Wright Esq	55
for In ^o Moreton Welhouse Esq	10	Do for Tho ^s Auzere Esq	50
for the Rev ^d James Stafford	10	Do for John Chatter Esq	100
for Wm Verax Esq	10	Do for Tho ^s Lane Esq	17
	160		412

James Black	112
for Sophia Chambers	30
for Mathew Chalie	30
for John Lane	15
for Esther Shadwell	5
for Miss M. d. Petit	10
Chris Chambers	60
for John Chalie	100
for Peter Baker	45
for John Dawson	50
for John Sparling	20
for John Sargent	50
	832

But forward	832
James Perry	50
D ^o for Isaac Moron	10
D ^o for Robert Rolleston	50
	942

At a Special General Meeting of the Proprietors of the Thames & Severn Canal Navigation held at the London Tavern in Bishops Gate Street London (in pursuance of Circular Letters for that purpose) on Tuesday the 10th day of January 1786

Resolved that the Allowance of the Discounts made by Mr Stevenson to certain of the Proprietors upon their calls which was due on the 10th Decem^r last. be approved of by this General Assembly.

That Mr Stevenson the Treasurer being ^{already} in Advance to the Proprietors and it appearing to us necessary that he should be reimbursed such Advance, as well as secured against any future payments by him between this & the next General Meeting it is Resolved that it be recommended to the Proprietors to advance the whole of the ninth & tenth calls immediately, upon which the Treasurer shall be empowered to allow Interest after the Rate of 5th p^{er} Annum upon the calls so paid, provided that the sums so to be paid and the sums to be advanced upon Bond before the next General Meeting do not exceed £8000.

A Letter having being communicated to this Meeting from Lord Bathurst's Steward Mr Thompson, making Proposals for the Mills at Cirencester & Siddington to the Company of Proprietors. Ordered that Mr James Berry be directed to treat for the said Mills with Lord Bathurst, and enter into such final Agreements with his Lordship relative thereto, as he may deem consistent with the Interest of the Company of Proprietors

There not having been three Proprietors present at the Meeting of the Committee at the Ram in Cirencester of the 5th day of Decem^r last. - Several Orders were made by Mr Black & Mr Berry which they judged necessary in Order that the Works might not be stoped We hereby confirm these Orders

Resolved that there be added to the Bonds remaining to be issued, to complet the sum of £10000 the words following viz. the money hereby secured, shall be paid on Three Months Notice given to Sam^l Smith the Clerk of this Navigation at Mr Tho^s Lane's, Solicitor of this Navigation at Goldsmiths Hall London.

Ordered that the Earl of Radnor, Sir Edw Littleton Bart. Edw Louden London Esq. W^m Capel, Jas Perry, Thomas Stevenson, Chris^t Chambers, Ludbridge Wright, Tho^s Lane Esq. Robert Hayward, James Black and John Chalce Esq. they are hereby elected a Committee for conducting the Works and Managing the Affairs of this Company. and that they do meet at the Ram Inn, in Cirencester, on Monday the 2^d day of April next.

Chris^t Chambers — 60
 for Peter Baker — 45
 for John Dawson — 50
 for John Martling — 20
 for John Sargent — 50
 Sam^l Shadwell — 10
 for Nath^l Lobbie's pettit — 10
 for Mr. Anne's pettit — 5
 for Cath^r Shadwell — 5
 263

Pro^o forward — 263
 James Croft — 10
 Tho^s Stevenson — 30
 Tho^s Lane — 17
 James Black — 5
 for Sophia Chambers — 30
 for Mat^r Chalce — 30
 for John Lane — 19
 John Chalce — 100
 for Edrd Clarmont — 20
 for John Bowden — 50
 574

a Meeting of the Proprietors of this Navigation
appointed to be held this day at the Ram Inn in
Cirencester a sufficient number of Proprietors by themselves
or Proxies having not attended, The said General Assembly
is adjourned to this day three Weeks, then to be held at the
Kings Head Inn, in Cirencester conformable to the Act of
Parliament in that behalf made. as Witness my hand this
3^d day of October 1786.

Samuel Smith, Clerk to the
P Proprietors

At a General Meeting of the Proprietors of
the Thames & Severn Canal Navigation, held at the Kings Head
Inn, in Cirencester on Tuesday the Twenty fourth day of October
1786

Propositions from Earl Walhurst to the Company of
Proprietors of the Thames & Severn Canal (Delivered by his Lordships
Steward Mr Robt. Thompson, to Mr Jos. Pitt, of Cirencester Agent
to the said Company of Proprietors in the End of Septemr 1786 as
follows Viz.

At a General Meeting of the Proprietors of the
Thames & Sworn Canal Navigation, held at the Kings Head Inn,
in Cirencester on Tuesday the Twenty fourth day of October 1786

Ordered That Two pence of Ton be taken at Denaway
Wharf as a Wharfage upon whatever is Landed there & Lyes 24 Hours
& upwards

That no Water be drawn through the Locks from one
Bond to another or from the Reservoirs without the Leave & Directions
of the Wharfinger obtained in Writing every Person offending against
this Order as a Bye Law of the Company is hereby directed to be
prosecuted

That a Power be given to Mr James Black & Mr Christopher
Chambers & Mr Thomas Stevenson to make enquiries about a Wharf
at a convenient place in London & to agree for the same if they judge
proper

That the Treasurer Mr Thomas Stevenson be directed to receive
£4000 from Mr Henry Puseley of Worcester and deliver him Navigations
Bonds to that Amount

That such Orders as any one Member of the Committee
shall give during the adjournment of the Committee be properly
noticed & executed by the Clerks & Officers of this Company provided such
Orders be given in Writing to the Clerk of this Company.

That a Letter be wrote to Sir George Paul informing him
That although we have a very sincere desire to promote every wish of
Public Utility and are willing to contribute as far as is consistent with
our Convenience yet having found in the course of the last Summer
the greatest inconvenience from the loss of Water to supply the Carriage
of their Stone & incurred thereby a very considerable Expence in being
obliged to send their own Materials by Land they find themselves
under the necessity of making some Regulations on that Head either
by confining the Carriage of their Stone to such times as may suit
their Supply of Water or by Limiting their Carriage of Stone
not to go beyond Brimscomb on this Subject they wish to have
Sir George Pauls Opinion.

That the Small Tunnel in future be made 6 feet high & 4 feet wide except in the Valley bit (which we desire may be drove forwards with the greatest Dispatch of any size that may be thought necessary to draw off the water as speedily as possible)

That the Rocky parts in Charles Jones's Work be sealed to their proper Gauge & put into such a state under the Direction of our Engineer as to admit of Arching whenever found necessary.

That John Dickson be directed to bring the water after him (in his cutting of the Summit Level) Buddling and forming his Banks as he goes forward

That Sir Edw Littleton Bart. Esq. Loveden Loveden Esq. John Carter Esq. John Raymond Esq. Mr Berry, Mr Hewenson, Mr Chambers, Mr L Bright, Tho Lane Esq. Mr Croft, Mr Bayard, Mr Black & Mr Chalie, be, and they are hereby elected a Committee for conducting the Works and managing the affairs of this Company.

	Shars	Share
D. Littleton for Self	100	James Mack — 5
Do for Earl of Radnor	10	for Matthew Chalie 30.
Do for Master Walkhouse Esq	10	for Sophia Chambers — 30
Do for Revd James Astor	10	for Mary Ann Petit — 10
Edw. Littleton Loveden	20	for John Lane — 19
Do for Cambridge Knight Esq.	55	for Esther Shadwell 5.
Robt Bayard for Self	10	James Perry — 30
Do for John Lewis Boissier Esq	20	for Isaac Moron — 10
Do for Tho: Hayes Esq	50	for Robert Rolleston 50
Do for John Chalie Esq.	100	for Will ^m Barrett — 14
Do for Tho: Lane Esq.	57	Tho: Baylis — 1
Do for M ^{rs} Francis Chambers	50	
Chris ^r Chambers for Self	60	
Do for John Sparling Esq	20	
Do for Peter Baker	50	
Do for John Dawson	50	
Do for John Sargent	50	
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		<u>682</u>
		<u>906</u>