

Proceedings
of the
Town Meetings
of the
Inhabitants
of the
Township of Needford
commencing

1847

Introduction

An Act to set off from the Township of
Overham, in the County of Burlington, a
new township to be called the Township of
Medford

Be it enacted by the Senate and General
Assembly of the State of New Jersey, That
all that part of the Township of Overham
in the County of Burlington, that lies east-
wardly of the boundaries following, to wit:
beginning at a station in the middle of
the South branch of the Rancocas creek,
and opposite the mouth of Mason's
creek; thence up the channel of said
Mason's creek to a stone dam near the
head of Daniel's mill pond, standing
north twenty three degrees, west thirteen chains
and fifty links from the middle of bridge,
over said creek on the mouth hole road
and from thence on a course of South
four degrees west, to the line of Camden
County, shall be and the same
shall be established a separate
township, to be called the Township
of Medford

and to make and deliver goods and
sufficient deed or deeds for the same; and
that the township committee of the said town-
ship of Medford shall also have power
and they are hereby authorized and em-
powered to sell and release to the said
township of Cushman, all the rights
share and interest of the said township of
Medford in and to the real estate now
belonging to the said townships respectively,
or any part thereof for such sums of money
as may be agreed upon by the committees of
the township interested; or that the committees
of both said townships or a majority of
them may sell to private individuals all
or any part of the real estate now belonging
to said township and to make and deliver
good and sufficient deed or deeds for the
same, and in all cases to allot and divide
the proceeds of the sale in manner prescribed
in the fourth section of this Act —

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And be it enacted — That all such
farms and other parcels of land as are now
held as separate and distinct tracts, and
are situated on and along both sides of
the aforesaid boundary line and between the
heads of Darnell's mill pond and Hewling's
mill stream, shall be assessed by and
the tax thereon paid to the township in which
the principal buildings thereon are now
standing; and if no such improvements
thereon at this time, the same to be assessed
and paid to the township having within
its limits the greater part of such tract of
land; and that such assessments shall
not be hereafter affected by any change of ownership
in the same or any part thereof whatsoever —

4th And be it enacted, That nothing in this act contained shall be construed to impair or in any wise effect the right of the said township of Woodford in and to any portion of the Surplus revenue of the v. general government, to which the said township may now or at any time here after be entitled in the distribution of the said Surplus revenue —

8th And be it enacted, That this "Act" shall take effect on the first day of March next —

Approved February 4th 1847 —

2nd

And be it enacted, That the inhabitants of that part of the township of Evesham that lies eastwardly of the boundaries of above mentioned be, and they and their Successors are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of the "The inhabitants of the Township of Midford in the County of Burlington" — and that the inhabitants of that part of said township of Evesham that lies westwardly of aforesaid boundaries, be, and they, and their Successors are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of — "The inhabitants of the township of Evesham in the County of Burlington" — which said two townships, in their corporate capacities respectively, shall be entitled to all the rights, powers, privileges and advantages and subject to the same regulations, duties, and liabilities as the inhabitants of the other townships in the said County of the Burlington may be entitled to or subject to by the existing laws of this State —

3rd

And be it enacted, That the townships of Midford and Evesham hereby created, shall each hold their first-term meetings, on the day appointed by law for holding the annual town meetings in the other townships in said County of Burlington; the former to be held at the town hall Cross Roads within the said township of Midford and the latter at the house of Richard L Cox, called the Green tree tavern, within the said township of Evesham, and afterwards at such place in their respective townships as the inhabitants of each shall determine in manner prescribed by law —

4th And be it enacted - That the township committee of the township of Cushman and Medford shall meet on the second Monday in April next at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at the town hall aforesaid, and shall then and there proceed to proceed by writing; to be signed by a majority of those present, to allot and divide between the said townships, all the property or money on hand or due, in proportion to the taxable property and ratables as valued and assessed by the assessors within the respective limits of the said two townships at the last assessment, and the township of Medford shall be liable to pay their just proportion of the debts if any there be; and if any of the members of the said township committee should neglect to meet as aforesaid, those present may proceed to make such division, and their decision, or the decision of a majority of them shall be final & conclusive.

Provided that it shall and may be lawful to adjourn the above meeting to such time and place as a majority of those assembled as aforesaid, may think proper, notwithstanding to exceed ten days from the time of the first meeting.

5th

And be it enacted, That the township committee of the said township of Cushman shall have power, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to sell and convey to the said township of Medford, all the rights, share and interest of the said township of Cushman in and to the real estate now belonging to the said townships respectively or any part thereof, for such sum or sums of money as may be agreed upon by the committee of the townships interested,

Eastern District	No	14	46	Scholars	\$ 40.82
Wickham Mill		15	22	"	19 58
Oak Grove		16	67	"	59 46
Methodist		17	No	School	- -
South Street		18	74	Scholars	65 67
Friends		19	86	"	76 34
Cesler		20	25	"	22 19
Martha Stratten		21	15	"	13 31
Harrison Hill		22	No	School	
Lewis & Harlow		23	16	Scholars	14 20
Milford		24	25	"	17 75
Green Grove District		25	35	"	26 62
Green Grove		26	34	"	30 17
Baptist		27	45	"	39 93
Friends. Pancoast		28	5	"	4 44
		29	38	"	33 72
Northampton			8	"	7 10
Poplar Grove			3	"	2 66

1847 March 9th

Lewis Woodwards
 Benjamin Buckman
 Jos S Thomas

Township Committee
 to pay County debt

Resolved, That the next township committee for this year be authorized and empowered to pay the Meaford township share of the debt due Burlington County from the old township of Cresham

Resolved, That the township of Meaford be divided into two road districts and that the road leading from Hewling's corner to John Sharp shall be laid dividing it into a Northern and Southern district, and that the Eastern part of the road from the Cross roads be under the Superintendance of the Southern

district overseer and the western part-
to be under the superintendance of the
Northern district overseer

^{by} Resolved, That four hundred dollars
School money be raised by the township to be incorp-
orated with the State school funds for
raised the purposes of general education

^{by} Resolved, That the sum of One Thousand
township money dollars be raised for general township
purposes

^{by} Resolved, That the township committee
money for be authorized to limit the amount of
overseer money to be expended by the overseers.

^{by} Resolved That this township be governed
By laws the present year by the old By laws and
that the Moderator appoint a committee to
draft a new code of laws and present to next
town meeting for examination

^{by} Resolved - That the meeting go into nomi-
nomination nation and that Charles Stasim be app-
ointed assistant Moderator

^{by} Resolved, That there be but one constable
Constable in the township of Meaford

^{by} Resolved, That the salary of the town
salary clerk be reduced to twenty dollars