

OAK STREET

From Book of Records
Vol. 2, Page 52

TO DETERMINE

April 8, 1833

STATE OF MAINE

Kennebec, ss

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to warn the freeholders and other inhabitants of the Town of Augusta qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet and assemble at the Town House in said Augusta on Monday the eighth day of April next at two of the clock in the afternoon to transact the following business, to wit:

ARTICLE 2, To determine if the Town will accept the laying out anew of the street leading from Water Street to the County Road opposite the dwelling house of Judge Fuller, and discontinue any part of the street formerly laid out, but not passed over by the street laid out anew.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant and of your doings thereon unto the Selectmen on or before said eighth day of April as aforesaid.

Dated at Augusta, the thirtieth day of March A.D. 1833.

Williams Emmons Selectmen
William Thomas of
John A. Pettingill Augusta

Kennebec, ss

Augusta April 1, 1833

Pursuant to this warrant I notified the freeholders and other inhabitants of the Town of Augusta to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned by posting up true and attested copies of this warrant, at the meeting house, at the school house near Jotham S. Babcocks and at the school house near John Nason's all in the Town of Augusta seven days prior to the time of holding said meeting.

James Black Constable of Augusta

A True Copy Attest Daniel Pike, Town Clerk

OAK STREET

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Vol. 2, Pages 52 & 53

April 8, 1833

VOTED

At a special meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Augusta qualified to vote in town affairs, held at the Town House in said Augusta on Monday the eighth day of April A.D. 1833.

ARTICLE 2 VOTED, To accept the street leading from Water Street to the County Road opposite Judge Fuller's dwelling house, as newly laid out by the Selectmen, reported and described by them as follows, viz:

Beginning at the west line of Water Street at the south east corner of William Bridge's three story brick store; thence running North, sixty-five degrees West four rods and ten and a half feet to the southwest corner of a two story wooden dwelling house owned by said Bridge and occupied by Virgil H. Hews; thence North, sixty-one degrees West, thirty-eight and two thirds rods to a stone monument erected in the east line of the public road, which passes from the Court House to the South Parish Meeting House, which monument is distant measuring along the east line of said road last mentioned, seven rods and ten feet from the north west corner of Doctor Cyrus Briggs dwelling house lot, as now enclosed by his fence. The road thus laid out is forty-three feet wide, and lies on the south side of, and adjoining to, said first described line and monuments. The following being all the persons known to us to be owners of any part of the land upon which said road is laid, were notified to be present at the said laying out, viz: John Pitts by his Attorney Henry W. Fuller, also Henry W. Fuller, Cyrus Briggs, Horatio Bridge, James Bridge Jr., William Bridge and Aaron Clark and most of them attended, at said laying out. No person claimed any damage and it is considered that none are incurred by said location.

VOTED, That so much of the street mentioned in this article, formerly laid out, as is not passed over by the street laid out anew, be discontinued.

VOTED, That this meeting now adjourn without day. Adjourned accordingly, Elisha P. Barsters Moderator.

Attest Daniel Pike, Town Clerk

A True Record Attest Daniel Pike, Town Clerk

See Records of Roads Vol. 1, Page 3

PROOFED

OAK STREET

From Street Book 1833

Page 3

April 8, 1833

VOTED

At a special meeting of the Inhabitants of Augusta qualified to vote in town affairs, legally called and notified, held at the Town House on Monday the 8th day of April A.D. 1833.

ARTICLE 2 VOTED, To accept a street leading from Water Street to the County Road opposite Judge Fullers dwelling house as laid out by the Selectmen reported and described by them as follows, to wit:

The Selectmen of the Town of Augusta have laid out, for the use of the Inhabitants of said Town, a road in the village, described as follows; viz:

Beginning on the west line of Water Street, at the southeast corner of William Bridge's three story brick store; thence running North sixty-five degrees West four rods and ten and a half feet to the southwest corner of a two story wooden dwelling house owned by said Bridge and occupied by Virgil H. Hewes; thence North sixty-one degrees West thirty-eight and two thirds rods to a stone monument erected in the east line of the public road, which passes from the Court House to the South Parish Meeting House; which monument is distant, (measuring along the said east line of said road last mentioned) seven rods and ten feet, from the northwest corner of Doctor Cyrus Brigg's dwelling house lot, as now enclosed by his fence.

The road thus laid out is forty-three feet wide, and lies on the south side of, and adjoining to, said first described line and monuments.

The following, being all the persons known to us to be owners of any part of the land upon which the said road is laid, were notified to be present at the said laying out, viz: John Pitts by his Attorney Henry W. Fuller; also Henry W. Fuller, Cyrus Briggs, Horatio Bridge, James Bridge Jr., William Bridge and Aaron Clark, and most of them attended at said laying out. No person claims any damage, and it is considered that none are incurred by said location.

Augusta

March 30, 1833

Williams Emmons Selectmen of
William Thomas the Town of
John A. Pettingill Augusta

VOTED, That so much of the old street mentioned in this article as is not passed over by the street described above, be discontinued.

A True Record Attest Daniel Pike, Town Clerk

See Warrant 2, Page 52 Records of Augusta

PROOFED

OAK STREET

From Jr. Bd. Ald.
Vol.1, Page 69

June 1, 1850

PETITION

PETITION of J.A. Pettingill and others in relation to Oak Street, presented by Alderman Doe was read and referred to the Committee on Highways, Bridges and Sidewalks; and sent down for concurrence.

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From Jr. Bd. Ald.
Vol. 1, Page 83

July 6, 1850

REPORT ON PETITION J. PETTINGILL

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of J. A. Pettingill and made a report accompanied by the following order, viz:

ORDERED, That Oak Street be straightened so that a line from the southeast corner of the Granite Bank building on Water Street to a point forty-three feet northerly on the east line of State Street, from the face of Cyrus Briggs stone wall shall be the northerly line of said Oak Street, and be the same width – namely forty-three feet, as laid out by the Selectmen of the Town, and accepted April 8, 1833, and the same was read and recommitted and notice ordered, in concurrence.

OAK STREET

From Jr. Bd. Ald.
Vol. 7, Page 456

September 28, 1833

READ AND TABLED

On the foregoing report the following was presented.

ORDERED, The course of public travel on Oak Street for horses, teams and carriages shall be changed in the east line of Dickman Street. Extended northerly to a point 12 feet south of the north line of Oak Street and turned in to Dickman Street; and that that part of Oak Street from said extended line easterly to the west rail of the railroad track be closed to public travel for horses, teams and carriages.

Read and ordered to lie on the table and be printed.

Also the following:

ORDERED, That the Maine Central Railroad be and hereby are authorized to erect a stone wall from the east line of Dickman Street, extending northerly to a point 12 feet south of the north line of Oak Street and to erect stone steps on said point from 12 feet south of the north line of Oak Street to the north line of said street, provided they will remove the brick water tank now standing near the foot of Oak Street and keep the stone steps to the sidewalk covered with plank or boards in the winter time so as to make it safe and convenient for foot travel. Said wall to be built under the direction of the Street Commissioner for the Western District.

Read and ordered to lie on the table and be printed.

**OAK STREET
(DISCONTINUANCE)**

From Street Book 1833
Pages 247 – 252

August 31, 1883

VOTED

In Board of Aldermen

August 31, 1883

Augusta

Read and Referred to a Special Committee consisting of Aldermen Savage and Cony, with powers to discontinue if an investigation deemed for the best interest of the City.

Attest Lewis Selling Deputy City Clerk

To the Mayor and Board of Aldermen

Gentlemen:

The Petition of E E. Myrick and 16 others asking for the discontinuance of Oak Street except for foot travel was referred to a special committee of this Board who examine the question and reported that it was advisable to grant the prayer of the petitioners. The Board of Aldermen accepted said report and on the 7th day of September directed the City Clerk to notify all persons interested to appear before a Committee of said Board of Aldermen at the Printing House of Charles E. Nash on Oak Street at 2 ½ o'clock p. m., on the 15th day of September A.D. 1883, when and where said Committee will proceed to alter the same.

The Committee on New Streets as required by the City Ordinances met at the time and place above-mentioned and gave the subject matter a careful examination and hearing. Nine of the 17 asking for the altering of the street withdrew their names from the petition, 25 persons including some who do not reside on the street and including the 9 who withdrew from the petition demonstrated against any alteration of the street. In addition to the request of the petitioners 4 others owning property adjoining Oak Street favor the alteration and Judge Andrews who has, since the hearing purchased a house of D. N. Pilsbury on Oak Street favors the petitioners.

Your Committee find that the property adjoining Oak Street is assessed this year at \$62,535.00. They find that \$36,335.00 of the assessed property favors the alteration and \$26,200.00 if the assessed property is unfavorable to the proposed alteration.

Your Committee does not regard this question as one to be settled entirely by those persons residing on Oak Street or who own property situated upon said street. This is a public highway and it is a question in which all the citizens are interested.

They believe the street practically is not used for a highway by horses and carriages and teams because of the great ascent which makes it a dangerous way, coming as it does so abruptly upon the railroad crossing. The Committee are satisfied that the street cannot be graded

without very great expense and then to the great injury to the property of Mr. C. B. Cobb, Mrs. G .S. Carpenter and Mr. C.E. Nash so as to be a passable street for carriages and teams.

The Committee believe the public's interests demands no alteration as prayed for by the petitioners provided Dickman Street is improved and graded. This in the opinion of the Committee would make the ascent from Water Street to State Street by way of Winthrop, Dickman and Oak Streets the most easy and accessible and this improve the property upon Oak Street. Your Committee desire to submit with their report a letter from the President of the Maine Central Railroad which shows that these changes can be made without expense to the City and ask that their report maybe published and that the matter lay on the table until the next meeting of the Board that all interested may have full and ample opportunity to consider the subject matter before final action is taken. The Committee recommend the passage of the accompanying orders.

Augusta, September 26, 1883

A. J. Burns Committee on
D. A. Cony New Streets

In Board of Aldermen

September 28, 1883

Read and Accepted and Ordered to be printed.

Attest H. F. Blanchard, City Clerk

The following are the papers referred to in the forgoing report, "A"

Maine Central Railroad

Portland

September 12, 1883

Messrs Baker, Baker & Cornish

Augusta

Dear Sirs,

I understand that the discontinuance of Oak Street at the point where it reaches our right-of-way is being considered by the City Government of Augusta.

I hope that the action proposed may be taken and in case it is so determined we will put up a substantial stone wall at the terminus of the street with proper stone steps so that foot passengers may be able to conveniently use the street as before.

I am

Yours truly,

George E .B. Jackson, President

"B"

To his Honor the Mayor and the Aldermen of the City of Augusta.

I have this day posted two attested copies of the within notice in ward No. two in the City of Augusta, viz: one of said copies in the Bleaching Building in said street and one on the Post Office Building in said City and street.

C. H. White, City Marshal

City of Augusta

In Board of Aldermen

September 28, 1883

ORDERED, That the course of public travel on Oak Street for horses, teams and carriages shall be changed at the east line of Dickman Street, extended northerly to a point 12 feet south of the north line of Oak Street and turning into Dickman Street and that that part of Oak Street from said extended line easterly to the west rail of the railroad track be closed to public travel for teams and carriages.

Read and Ordered to be on the table and be printed.

In Board of Aldermen

October 12, 1883

Read and Passed

Attest H. F. Blanchard, City Clerk

In Board of Aldermen

September 28, 1883

ORDERED, That the Maine Central Railroad be and hereby are authorized to erect a stone wall from the east line of Dickman Street, extending northerly to a point 12 feet south of the north line of Oak Street, and to erect stone steps on said point from 12 feet north of the south line of Oak Street to the north line of said street provided they will remove the brick Water Tank now standing near the foot of Oak Street and keep the stone steps to the sidewalk corner with plank of boards in the winter time, so as to make it safe and convenient for foot travel. Said wall to be built under the direction of the Street Commissioner of the Western District, the Mayor and Committee on Highways.

Read and Ordered to be on the table and be printed.

In Board of Aldermen

October 12, 1883

Read and Passed

Attest H. F. Blanchard, City Clerk

PROOFED

**OAK STREET
(Alteration of)**

From Jr. Bd. Ald.
Vol. 19, Page 145

April 18, 1927

ACCEPTED AND PASSED

The Joint Standing Committee on Highways and Sewers at whom was referred the altering and reestablishing the north line of Oak Street, a public way, report that on March 30, 1927, at two o'clock in the afternoon, the Committee on Highways and Sewers met at Board of Aldermen's Room, City Building and recommended that the north line of Oak Street adjacent to the bank building of said the First National Granite Bank be altered and reestablished, so that said north line, as reestablished, shall be, a straight line from the west line of Water Street to the east line of Commercial Street, three inches southerly from the outside of the stone pediments on said building, and parallel thereto.

The Committee finds that no damage is suffered by any abutting owner or by any other person and no damage is assessed or allowed.

PROOFED

OAK STREET

From Street Book 1923
Pages 10 & 11

March 22, 1927

ACCEPTED AND PASSED

Whereas, application is made to the City Council of Augusta to alter and reestablish the north line of Oak Street from the west line of Water Street to the east line of Commercial Street, a public way, in accordance with a plan by Henry F. Hill, City Engineer, filed at the office of the City Clerk, a description of which is as follows:

That the north line of Oak Street adjacent to the bank building of said the First National Granite Bank be altered and reestablished, so that said north line, as reestablished, shall be, a straight line from the west line of Water Street to the east line of Commercial Street, three inches southerly from the outside of the stone pediments on said building, and parallel thereto.

Whereas, the City Council as ordered that notification be given upon such application.

All persons interested are therefore notified of the intentions of the City Council to alter and reestablish said Oak Street from the west line of Water Street to the east line of Commercial Street and are further notified to appear before the Joint Standing Committee on Highways and Sewers, being the Committee of the City Council having the matter in charge, at the Aldermen's Room, City Building, in said Augusta on Wednesday March 30, 1927 at two o'clock in the afternoon at which time and place a hearing relative to the proposed alteration and reestablishing will be had.

Daniel W. Cony, City Clerk

Under Direction of Committee on Highways and Sewers

March 23, 1927

I, this day by direction of the City Clerk, posted two notices, true copies of the notice of the altering and reestablishing of Oak Street as stated above, one at north side Oak Street and one

at south side Oak Street, both near Commercial Street being two public places in said Augusta in the vicinity of the street referred to in said notice.

W. J. Skehan, Constable
City of Augusta

I hereby certify that I caused the posting of the notices specified in the return of W. J. Skehan, Constable.

Daniel W. Cony, City Clerk
City of Augusta

April 18, 1927

The following report was read and passed in both branches of City government.

That on March 30, 1927, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, the Committee on Highways and Sewers met at the Board of Aldermen's Room, City Building and recommend that the north line of Oak Street adjacent to the bank building of said the First National Granite Bank be altered and reestablished, so that said north line, as reestablished, shall be, a straight line from the west line of Water Street to the east line of Commercial Street, three inches southerly from the outside of the stone pediments on said building, and parallel thereto.

The Committee finds that no damage is suffered by any abutting owner or by any other person and no damage is assessed or allowed.

Attest Daniel W. Cony City Clerk
