

Morgan Road Improvement.

Record of proceedings in the matter of
The Morgan Road Improvement, located in Jefferson
Township Madison County Ohio.

In the matter of }
The Morgan Road } Petition Filed June 23rd 1896.
Improvement. }

To the Commissioners of Madison County Ohio:
We, the undersigned, land holders, residents of said County,
whose lands will be assessed for the expenses of the improve-
ment mentioned below, respectfully petition your honorable
body for the location and improvement of a road, under
and in accordance with the provisions of the Statutes of Ohio,
relating to Two Mile Assessment Pikes, along the following
described route:

Commencing in the center of the East pike
in the line of lands of R. C. Stuckey and Henry Folmer; thence
following the line of an open road way with the line of R. C.
Stuckey, Belina and Daniel Peterman, Elizabeth Lucas, Geo.
and Leonard Morgan and Stephen Smith (on the south side
of said proposed line) and said Henry Folmer, Leonard Morgan,
Ellenore Edwards, Hannah Morgan, Leonard Morgan, Stephen
Smith and Henry C. Wilson (on the north side of said propos-
ed line) in a south westerly direction to the center of the
Middle pike and terminating thereat. Distance of about
1 1/4 miles. All of said proposed improvement being within
Jefferson Township, Madison County, Ohio.

Your petitioners further pray that said improvement
may consist of grading, graveling, bridging and culverting
said road.

Names.	Names.	Names.
Leonard Morgan.	Lester Bidwell	Sarah Penny.
Owen Harbage.	V. H. Wilson - out.	David R. Lucas.
William Kipple.	Julia Toles.	William Wilson
Sam O. Wilson	Charles Martin.	Martin V. High.
John S. Wilson	R. A. Baker.	Margaret Alder.
Wm. C. Beach.	A. C. Millikin	Robert Millikin
Wm. J. Chandler.	Elizabeth Millikin	Luther Johnson
John P. Love.	H. H. Mc Clellan.	Martha J. High
George Morgan.	H. D. Folmer.	Odessa High
Hannah Morgan.	Danil Gatton.	M. V. High. Assignee of L. C. Alder.
Elizabeth Lucas.	O. R. King	H. B. Converse Guard. John Cutler.
Elenore Edwards.	H. C. Wilson	Maud Beach.
John Harbage.	James Gillivan	Vynul Harbage
Monroe Bidwell	Frank R. Miller.	Celeste Harbage.
Laura Kelley.	Rebecca Alder.	Sabina Peterman
James Millikin.	Henry Wright.	Martha Wilson
O. H. Stuckey	Mary Deem, Guardian	M. D. Lakin.
Henry Betts.	of Olife, Mary & Mabel Seymons.	Ida Lakin.
Eliza Streater	Anthony Paullus.	Jacob Peterman.
Eliza Weaver.	Finis High	
	George Boswell.	
	John Penny, Guardian	
	of Webster Heirs.	

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Bonds

Know all Men by these Presents.

That We, Leonard Morgan, George Morgan and Mart. V. High are held and firmly bound unto the State of Ohio, for the use of Madison County, in the penal sum of Two Hundred Dollars, for the true and faithful payment of which well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, jointly and severally our heirs, executors and administrators, by these presents.

Sealed with our Seals and dated at London Ohio, this day of 1896.

The conditions of the above obligations are such, that, whereas application has been made to the Board of Commissioners of said Madison County, for the Improvement of a road on the following line, to wit:

Commencing in the center of the East pike in the line of lands of R. C. Stuckey and Henry Folmer; thence following the line of an open road way with the line of said Stuckey, Celina^{and} Daniel Peterman, Elizabeth Lucas, George and Leonard Morgan, and Stephen Smith (on the south side of said proposed road) and said Henry Folmer, Leonard Morgan, Ellenore Edwards, Hannah Morgan, Leonard Morgan, Stephen Smith and Henry C. Wilson (on the north side of said proposed line) in a south-westerly direction to the center of the Middle pike and terminating thereat. A distance of about $1\frac{1}{4}$ miles. Now if the said applicants shall pay into the Treasury of the said County the amount of all costs and expenses accruing thereon, in case the prayer of said petitioners be not granted, or when the proceedings had in pursuance thereof, shall not be finally confirmed and established, then this obligation to be void otherwise to be in full force in law.

Leonard Morgan. [Seal]

George Morgan. [Seal]

Mart. V. High. [Seal]

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Commissioner's Office, Madison County,

London Ohio, July 9th 1896.

Board of County Commissioners met in special session
 Members present, H. Lilly, S. S. Robbins^{3rd} & James Withrow.

In the matter of }
 The Morgan Road } Appointment of Viewers^{3rd} & Surveyor^{2nd} & Fixing time of View
 Improvement. }

A Petition signed by Leonard Morgan and 49 others, land holders whose lands will be assessed for the expense of the improvement mentioned below, was presented to the Board of Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio, praying for the improvement under the Two-Mile Assessment Pike Laws of Ohio, of a road by grading and graveling, bridging and culverting along the following described route:

Beginning at the center of the East Pike in the line of the Lands of R. C. Stucky and Henry Falmer; thence following the line of an open roadway with the line of said R. C. Stucky & D. Peterman, Elizabeth Lucas, George^{2nd} & Leonard Morgan, and Stephen Smith, and Henry C. Wilson (on the south side of said proposed line) and said Henry Falmer, Leonard Morgan, Ellenor Edwards, Hannah Morgan, Leonard Morgan, Stephen Smith and Henry C. Wilson (on the north side of said proposed line) in a south westerly direction to the center of the Middle Pike and terminating thereat, a distance of about one and one fourth miles. All of said improvement being within Jefferson Township, Madison County, Ohio.

A good and sufficient bond signed by Leonard Morgan, George Morgan and Martin V. High in the sum of Two Hundred Dollars, conditioned according to law, has also been filed with said Board.

Thereupon the Board appointed E. A. Blaugher, J. M. Thomas and James Lilly, three disinterested free holders of the county as Viewers, and H. L. Mc Cafferty, County Surveyor as Engineer, and directed them to meet at the residence of Leonard Morgan, on the line of said route, on the 6th day of August at 10 o'clock A.M. and after being duly sworn, to take to their assistance two suitable persons as chain carriers and one marker, and proceed to view, examine and lay out or straighten said road as in their opinion public utility and convenience requires; to assess and determine the damages sustained by any person through whose premises the said road is to be laid out, straightened or improved, and to do such other things in the premises as are required of them by law, and to make a report of their proceedings in writing to this Board at its next regular session on Thursday, Sept. 9th 1896.

This Improvement shall be known as the Morgan Road Improvement. Board adjourned.

H. D. Wilson

Auditor.

H. Lilly
 S. S. Robbins
 Jas. Withrow.

Commissioners
 of
 Madison County.

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Auditor's Office, Madison County,
London Ohio, July 9th 1896.

Notice to Viewers and Surveyors.

To

E. A. Blaugher, J. M. Thomas, and James Lilly:
Gentlemen:

A Petition having been presented to the Board of County Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio, asking for the improvement under and in accordance with the provisions of the Statutes of Ohio, relating to Two Mile Assessment Pikes, by grading, graveling, bridging and culverting of a road along the following described route:

Commencing in the center of the East pike in the line of the lands of R. C. Stuckey and Henry Folmer; thence following the line of an open roadway, with the line of said Stuckey, Belina^{and} Paul Peternan, Elizabeth Lucas, George and Leonard Morgan and Stephen Smith (on the South side of said proposed road) and Henry Folmer, Leonard Morgan, Ellenore Edwards, Hannah Morgan, Leonard Morgan, Stephen Smith^{and} Henry G. Wilson (on the north side of said proposed line) in a south-westerly direction to the center of the Middle Pike and terminating thereat. A distance of about 1/4 miles.

A sufficient Bond having also been filed with said Board, conditioned as required by law, therefore said board appointed you, E. A. Blaugher, J. M. Thomas and James Lilly, three disinterested free holders of the county, as viewers, and H. L. Mc Cafferty, Surveyor, and direct that you meet at the residence of Leonard Morgan on the line of said route on the 6th day of August 1896, at 10 o'clock A. M., and after being duly sworn, to take to your assistance to suitable persons as chain carriers and one marker, and proceed to view, examine, lay out or straighten said road, as in your opinion public utility and convenience require, to assess and determine the damage sustained by any person through whose premises the said road is proposed to be laid out, straightened or improved, and to do such other things in the premises as are required of them by law, and to make a report of their proceedings in writing to said Board of Commissioners of said County, at their next regular session, Thursday, Sept. 9th 1896, at 10 o'clock A. M., at their office in London, Ohio,

By order of County Commissioners.

H. D. Wilson

County Auditor.

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Certificate of Oath of Viewers, Surveyor et al.
State of Ohio, Madison County.

Before me the undersigned authority within and for said county, personally came J. M. Thomas, E. A. Blaughner and James Lilly, Viewers, L. P. Wilson and Willis Hill, chain carriers, and Columbus Huddle^{and} markers of a road improvement petitioned for by Leonard Morgan et al and located within said County^{and} State and were by me duly sworn to discharge faithfully and according to law the duties of their several appointments.

J. M. Thomas,
E. A. Blaughner,
James Lilly, } Viewers.

L. P. Wilson } Chain carriers,
J. W. Hill }
Columbus Huddle } Markers.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6th day of Aug. 1896.

H. L. M^r. Cafferty,

County Surveyor, Madison Co. O.

Road Improvement Notice

Auditors Office,

London Ohio, July 14th 1896.

Notice is hereby given to all parties interested that Leonard Morgan and forty eight (48) others filed a petition with the county commissioners of Madison County, Ohio, on the 23rd day of June, 1896, praying for the improvement, in accordance with the provisions of the Statutes of Ohio, relating to two-mile assessment pikes, of a road along the following described route.

Commencing in the center of the East pike in the line of lands of R. C. Stuckey and Henry Folmer; thence following the line of an open roadway with the line of said R. C. Stuckey, Belina and Daniel Peterman, Elizabeth Lucas, George and Leonard Morgan and Stephen Smith, (on the south side of said proposed line) and said Henry Folmer, Leonard Morgan, Ellenor Edwards, Hannah Morgan, Leonard Morgan, Stephen Smith and Henry C. Wilson, (on the north side of said proposed line) in a south westerly direction to the center of the Middle pike and terminating thereat, a distance of about 1/4 miles, all of said proposed improvement being within Jefferson Township, Madison County, Ohio.

And notice is hereby given that the Commissioners have appointed viewers and a Surveyor and ordered that they meet at the residence of Leonard Morgan, in said township, on Thursday, August 6th, 1896, at 10 o'clock A.M., and proceed to view and survey said route and make a written report of the same to the County Commissioners, at their office, at their regular session on the 9th day of September 1896. All claims for compensation and damage are waived unless filed with said viewers at their meeting Aug. 6, 1896. The above was published in London Enterprise.

Wilbert D. Wilson Auditor.

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We assessed damages to the following persons as follows:

Stephen Smith,	144 rods fencing at 15¢ per rod.	\$ 22.00
R. C. Stuckey,	100 " " " " 15¢ " "	15.00
" " " "	100 " " " " 30¢ " "	30.00

We allowed compensation to each of said claimants at the rate of \$60.00 per acre for land taken over width of old road, the amount to be hereafter determined by the undersigned surveyor.

We estimate the whole expense of said improvement at \$1322.50, classified as follows:

Grading and ditching at \$400 per mile amounting to	\$500.00
Graveling and material at 25¢ per yard	
2970 cubic yards amounting to	\$742.50
Damages assessed	}
Compensation estimated to be	
Total	\$1322.50

Specifications.

These estimates are based on the following general specifications: The road to be opened to the width of 40 feet. The road bed to be made 22 feet wide, crowning 6 inches to the center line thereof.

The gravel to be placed upon the center of the grade 12 feet wide and 12 inches deep sides and center.

Given under our hands this 9th day of September, 1896.

J. M. Thomas }
 E. A. Blaugher } Viewers
 James Lilly }

H. L. Mc Cafferty Surveyor.

London, Ohio.

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List of Lots and Lands

Jefferson Township			
Name	Survey	No. Acres	Assessed by Committee.
Alder Rebecca	2681	35 41	11 48
" "	6643	37 25	12 08
" "	"	18 00	5 84
Bidwell Marion	13874	12 08	1 46
" "	6545	50 30	3 06
" "	7216	72 75	8 85
Bidwell Monroe	12273	92 00	11 19
" "	13874	23 92	2 92
" "	10295	67 75	8 25
Bidwell Webster	7061	91 00	14 76
" "	10701	12 50	2 03
Bidwell Lester	12149	117 25	19 01
" "	10701	4 50	7 3
Boswell George	2985	1 00	81
Braithwaite Isaac H.	2682	141 25	5 72
" " "	2985	71 42	2 89
" " "	3682	2 00	0 8
" " "	2985	66 42	2 69
" " "	"	5 00	2 0
" " "	2984	15 00	6 1
Braithwaite Edward G.	3157	50 00	4 05
" " "	2985	64 93	5 26
Beach Lilly Maudie	2679	111 00	9 00
" " "	"	49 00	3 97
" " "	2680	59 00	4 78
Carter David and Asa C.	2682	60 00	4 86
Clover Willis	6000	25 47	3 9 1
" "	7216	10 48	1 26
" "	1410		
Conklin David S.	6300	150 00	6 08
Dickerson A. J.	2679	72 00	2 92
Edwards Ellenor	2680	15 00	12 16
Fellows W. W.	3157	50 00	8 11
" "	2985	125 00	10 14
" "	4905	2 00	81
" "	4885	123 00	29 92
Folmer H. D.	2680	36 37	22 11
" "	15799		
" "	16000	2 37	97
" "	2681	3 60	1 46
" "	6643	54 50	22 10
Gatton David S.	2985	140 70	5 27
Gillivan James	6643	50 00	8 11
" "	4906	51 75	12 58
Goodson John W.	2985	149 42	5 68
" "	2451	29 75	1 01
Grady Michael	4885	50 65	6 16
" "	6643	50	0 6

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Name	Survey	No. Acres	Assessed by Committee
Harbage Owen	2679	150 00	12 16
" Joseph.	"	18 00	81
High Chas. S.	2680	153 00	18 60
" " "	2679	48 47	out
Huddle Columbus.	4904	90 25	29 27
Harbage John.	2682	18 00	1 46
Johnson Luther	"	1 00	
" Leonard	"	37 10	1 50
" Abner	2984 +c	112	4 54
" Jacob Wilson	2985	45	1 82
Jones C. C.	"	88 25	10 74
Kelley Laura	2681	7 00	1 72
Kilgore John	6643	21 25	3 45
King Orin R.	7216	50 00	4 05
" " "	2985	26 00	6 16
King James W.	7216	35 00	2 84
Lakin Ida	"	35 00	1 42
Lucas D. R.	"	47 00	1 91
" Eliz.	2680	3 00	1 248
Lynch Michael	12149	48 50	7 86
M ^c . Coy John.	2675	108 00	4 38
Millikin A. C.	2680	108 75	17 64
" Eliz.	"	154 00	18 73
" " "	"	24 15	3 92
" " "	7484	10 25	1 66
Morgan Leonard & George.	2680	12 00	9 73
Morris M. V.	2682	20 00	81
Morgan Hannah M.	2680	18 62	11 81
" Leonard.	"	3 59	2 91
" " "	"	25 00	20 27
" " "	2681	18 09	7 34
Nipple Wm	16025	15 25	2 47
Olney Webster P.	2945	1 50	08
" " "	2987	62 37	
" " "	"	112 30	
Paulus Anthony	6643	111 90	27 22
Peterman Salina	3157	1 00	81
Peene Wm	2682	60 00	12 16
" " "	8461	36 40	7 38
Pugh George W.	2682	128 90	5 23
Penny Sarah	12273 +c	100 00	4 05
Quinn Edward.	6643	109 00	20 27
Seymore, Olive, May, Mable.	8461 +c	44 50	9 02
Smith Butler.	2680	24 10	3 89
Smith Stephen.	7484	54 00	26 27
" " "	2680	63 41	30 85
" " "	8461	13 25	6 45
" " "	4904	30 00	14 60
" " "	2680	8 00	3 89

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Name	Survey	No Acres	Assessed by Committee
Stanton James & Sarah	6643	46 40	9 40
" " " "	4885	49 88	8 08
Stuckey R. C.	2680	269 50	109 25
" " " "	"	112 00	45 40
Smith Carrie Price	2682	80 00	12 97
Timmons Thomas W.	8461	261 66	31 82
" " " "	2682	9 25	1 12
" " " "	2682	55 70	6 77
" Asa T.	2679	102 70	8 33
Vickers Wm M.	1410	10 00	81
Weaver James	10701	12 00	1 46
Wilson Henry C.	6643	180 55	73 20
" " " "	4904	20 00	12 16
" " " "	6300	114 50	9 28
Morris M. V.	1410	15 00	
<u>Danaan Township</u>			
Arthur Gardner	2186	6 71	1 00
Alder Henry	2681	31 50	4 30
" L. C.	"	121 75	19 74
" Rebecca	"	10 00	3 25
Betts Henry	5749+e	48 00	1 94
Bidwell Marion	6545	46 45	3 77
" " " "	8996	142 48	11 55
" " " "	10701	41	33
" Webster	7061	31 00	1 25
Booth Webster D.	10701	40 81	6 62
Baker Mrs. R. A.	2681	2 00	81
Chandler Wm J.	12126	66 00	2 68
Outler Joel	2681	2 75	12
" David	"	37 00	1 50
" " " "	12126	81 50	3 31
Dailey Patrick	5749	85 00	3 45
" " " "	12038	10 00	40
" " " "	10701	35 00	1 42
" " " "	6545	46 40	1 88
" " " "	6644	36 86	1 50
High Martin V.	12030	2 00	81
Jones C. C.	10701+e	102 00	12 40
Kelley Laura	2681	71 00	17 27
Lowe Mary C.	"	6 19	81
Martin Chas.	"	14 00	2 27
M ^c Callan Homer H.	"	4 81	81
Millikin John L.	"	90 75	7 36
" " " "	10701	19 39	1 57
" Robert	6969	20 00	81
" James	2681	181 86	14 75
Morse Joseph	10701	14 14	1 70
Sawhouse Emma	12126	53 00	2 15

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Name	Survey	No. Acres	Assessed by	Committee
Stuckey Eugene H.	9696	97 90		
Struter Amy	12126	33 00	1	34
" Henry B. & Eliza	8996	10 00		40
Timmons Thos. W.	"	47 90		
Thomas James	2681	39 84	4	86
Weaver James	1090	56 00	6	81
Wilson John S.	"	120 00	4	86
Wright Henry	2681	127 09	10	30

~~For Plat see Plat Record, Page.~~

Approved and Granted Sept. 9th 1896.

H. Lilly
S. S. Robbins
James Withrow } Commissioners
of
Madison County Ohio.

Fees

E. A. Blaugher. Viewer	2 days.	@ \$3.00	=	\$6.00
J. M. Thomas. "	" "	" \$3.00	=	\$6.00
James Lilly. "	" "	" \$3.00	=	\$6.00
H. S. Mc Cafferty. Surveyor.	5 "	" \$4.00	=	\$20.00
L. P. Wilson. Asst.	1 "	" \$1.50	=	\$1.50
Willis Hill. C.C.	1 "	" \$1.50	=	\$1.50
Columbus Huddle. Marker.	1 "	" \$1.25	=	\$1.25
Total -				\$42.25

Commissioner's Office, Madison County.
London, Ohio, Sept 9th 1896.

Board met in regular session.

Members all present.

In the matter of the
Road Improvement petitioned
for by Leonard Morgan et al.

Hearing on Report of Viewers and Surveyor

The report of the viewers heretofore appointed, having been made as required by law, and said report being in favor of said improvement and showing that there is public necessity therefor, and the board being satisfied by a comparison and count of the petitioners for said improvement, and land holders taxable therefor as reported by the viewers, that a majority of the land holders whose lands would be assessed for the expenses of the same, have signed the petition, asking for said improvement, that public utility requires it and that the proceedings heretofore had were in conform to law.

The board, therefore order the reports and plat in said matter to be duly recorded and filed and said improvement to be made in the following manner, to wit:
The road to be opened to the width of 40 feet, the road

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to be made 22 feet wide crowning 6 inches to the center line thereof. The gravel to be placed upon the center of the grade 12 feet wide and 12 inches deep sides and center. The Board appoint H. L. Mc Cafferty, as engineer to take charge of the improvement, to advertise and sell the same according to law, and require said work to be done by the 1st day of January 1897. The board find that the following lands will be benefited by said improvement and should be assessed to pay the same.

For list of lots and lands, see pages 40, 41, 42 & 43. This Record The Board appoint A. A. Tanner, George Silvers & William Payne three disinterested free holders of the county, a committee to apportion the expenses of said improvement, estimated by the viewers heretofore appointed to be \$1322.50 on the lots and lands benefited by said improvement, taking into consideration any benefit that would accrue to any person by reason of any drainage or former expenses from other road improvements heretofore made.

Said committee are directed to make a report of their proceedings in writing to this Board at their earliest convenience.

Thereupon the Board adjourned to meet in regular session Sept. 10th 1896.

W. D. Wilson
Auditor.

H. Lilly
S. S. Robbins
James Withrow. } Commissioners
of
Madison County.

Road Improvement Letting.

Notice to Contractors.

Notice is hereby given that The Morgan Road Improvement will be sold a public outcry, on the line of the road, to the lowest and best bidder, on

Friday, October 16th 1896,
commencing at 10 o'clock a. m. Said road is located in Jefferson township, Madison County, Ohio, and 4 miles north of West Jefferson, Ohio. Said road to be improved according to specifications, plat and profile on file in County Auditor's office at London, Ohio. Said road contains two sections of 160 rods each, and one section of 138.8 rods in length.

Bidders to meet at the Folmer school house on the East pike and must deposit with Engineer \$25 cash as security that they will enter into contract and bond should their bid be accepted. Right reserved to reject any or all bids.

By order Commissioners of Madison County.
H. L. Mc Cafferty
Engineer.

London Times.

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Report of Sale.London, Ohio, Oct. 16th 1896.

To the Board of County

Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio;

This being the day advertised for the sale of the Morgan road Improvement and due notice having been given of the time and place of said sale, according to law, the same was offered for sale at public outcry and John Geer having bid fully to improve the entire road according to plans and specifications therefor for the sum of Seven Hundred and Ninety (790.⁰⁰) Dollars, and said bid being the lowest and best, the said road was sold to him accordingly.

H. L. Mc Cafferty,
Engineer.

Road Improvement Contract.

Articles of agreement entered into this 16th day of October, 1896, by and between John Geer, party of the first part, and H. L. Mc Cafferty as Engineer of the Morgan Road Improvement, petitioned for by Leonard Morgan and others, and ordered to be made by the Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio, at their September session 1896, of the second part witnesseth: That the party of the first part hereby promises and agrees to execute and finish in the most substantial and workmanlike manner, and to the satisfaction and acceptance of said Engineer and the Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio, all of the work upon that part of said Road Improvement, described as Sections 1-2nd & 3 and in manner described in specifications, plat, profile and cross sections of said road as made out by said Engineer and on file in the office of the Auditor of Madison County, Ohio, said specifications, profile, etc., are made a part of this contract.

Said John Geer is to do said work for the sum of Seven Hundred and Ninety Dollars, to be paid in cash, and the payments thereof to be made according to the estimates as set forth in the specifications and according to the specifications which are made a part of this contract.

Said John Geer agrees to have said work fully completed by the 1st day of January, 1897 if the weather will permit.

In witness whereof the said John Geer and the said H. L. Mc Cafferty, in his capacity as Engineer only, have hereunto set their hands, the day and year above mentioned.

John Geer,
Contractor.

Engineer.

Approved by us this 26th day of October, 1896.

H. Lilly.

James Withrow.

Commissioners
of
Madison County.

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Contractors Bonds

Know all men by these Presents,

That we, John Geer, W. L. Chingaw and C. G. Wilson of the County of Madison, and State of Ohio, are held and firmly bound unto the Board of County Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio, for the use of said county in the sum of Fifteen Hundred and Eighty Dollars, for the payment of which sum we bind ourselves, jointly and severally, our heirs and executors and administrators.

Done at London, Ohio, this 16th day of October, 1896.

The condition of the above obligation is such that if the said John Geer shall well and truly perform the stipulations upon his part to be performed of a certain agreement of even date herewith for the construction of section 1-2-3 of the improvement of the Morgan road in Madison County, Ohio, entered into by said H. S. M^o. Cafferty as Engineer and Superintendent of said improvement, and John Geer, as parties to said agreement, then this obligation shall be void; otherwise it will remain in full force.

John Geer
W. L. Chingaw } Sureties.
C. G. Wilson.

Commissioners Office, Madison County,
London Ohio. Oct. 16th 1896.

In the matter of the
Road Improvement }
Petitioned for Leonard Morgan. } Sales

This being the day advertised for the sale of the Morgan Road Improvement and it appearing to the Board that due notice of the time and place of said sale has been given as required by law, the same was offered for sale at public outcry and John Geer having bid to fully improve the entire road according to plans and specifications therefor, for the sum of Seven Hundred and Ninety Dollars (\$790.⁰⁰) and said bid being the lowest and best, the said road was sold to him accordingly, and he is required to enter into good and sufficient bond for the faithful performance of said contract, as required by law.

H. Lilly }
James Kithorn. } Commissioners
of
Madison County.

H. O. Wilson
Auditor.

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Notice to Apportioning Committee.

To A. A. Tanner, George Silvers and William Payne:
Gentlemen:

Whereas, the County Commissioners of said County have, ^{upon the petition of Leonard Morgan et al} ordered the improvement of a certain road, known as the Morgan Road Improvement, leading from East pike to Middle Pike, along the following route; Commencing in the center of the East pike in the line of the lands of R. C. Stuckey and Henry Tolmer; Thence following the line of an opened roadway with the line of said R. C. Stuckey, Velina and Daniel Oltman, Elizabeth Lucas, George and Leonard Morgan, and Stephen Smith on the south side of said proposed line and said Henry Tolmer, Leonard Morgan, Ellenore Edwards, Hannah Morgan, Stephen Smith and Henry C. Wilson on the north side of said proposed line, in a south-westerly direction to the center of the Middle Pike and terminating thereat. A distance of about one and one fourth miles. All of said proposed improvement being within Jefferson Twp. Madison County, Ohio.

And whereas, said commissioners have appointed you as a committee to apportion the expense of said improvement, estimated at Thirteen Hundred and Twenty, Two Dollars upon the real property taxable for the expense of the same.

You will, therefore on the 8th day of July 1897, at 10 o'clock A. M. meet at the Tolmer school house in Jefferson Township, on the line of said road, and after there being duly sworn, and receiving such instructions as desired, you will proceed forth with, and from day to day thereafter, as the discharge of your duty may require, upon actual view of the premises specified in the list hereto annexed, to make out the said apportionment according to the benefits each piece of land may derive from said improvement, and report the same to the county Auditor as soon as practicable.

In making said apportionment, you will take into consideration previous assessments made upon the real property for the improvement of any road heretofore assessed under the provisions of the Statutes of Ohio, relating to Two Mile assessment pikes, and also any benefits which will accrue to any land or lands by reason of drainage resulting from the making of said improvement.

By order of County Commissioners,

H. D. Wilson,

Auditor of Madison County.

Morgan Road Improvement.

Oath of Apportioning Committee.

Before me the undersigned authority personally named William Payne, Harrison Wilson and C. A. Riddle, who were by me duly sworn to faithfully, impartially and according to law, discharge the duties of apportioning Committee on the Morgan Road Improvement.

London, Ohio, July 2^d 1897.

H. L. Mc Cafferty,
County Surveyor of Madison County, Ohio.

The Assessment Notice

Notice is hereby given that the committee appointed to apportion the expense of the Leonard Morgan Road Improvement have filed their report of assessment of said improvement in the office of the Auditor of Madison County, Ohio and the Board of Commissioners have appointed Thursday, September 2^d 1897 at 9.30 o'clock A.M. standard time, at the Commissioners office in London, Ohio, as the time and place to hear exceptions to said assessments.

All exceptions to said report and assessments must be filed in writing at the Auditor's Office of said County on or before the day and hour of hearing. If no exceptions be made the board will proceed to confirm said reports and assessments.

August 12th 1897.

Gilbert D. Wilson
County Auditor.

Proof of Publication.

The State of Ohio, Madison County S. S.

E. N. Gunsaulus being duly sworn, says he is the publisher of the London Times, a weekly newspaper printed and in general circulation in said county, and that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, was published in said newspaper for at least 3 consecutive weeks beginning the 12th day of August 1897.

E. N. Gunsaulus.
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6th day of September 1897.

Printer's Fees \$6.⁵⁰

Geo. H. Clark,
Deputy Auditor.

Morgan Road Improvement.

London, Ohio,

July 19th 1897.

To the Board of Commissioners of Madison County, Ohio:

We, the undersigned committee, appointed by you to apportion the estimated expense of the improvement of the Morgan Improved road, as described in the record of said improvement met as directed and after being duly sworn, as will appear from the certificate of said oath hereto attached, assessed upon actual view of the premises required, the estimated expense of said improvement on said lots and lands as shown in the annexed list, all of which is respectfully submitted.

William Payne

Harrison Wilson

A. A. Riddle.

} Apportioning Committee

For Report of Apportioning Committee, see List of Lots and Lands, Viewers Report, Pages 40, 41 and 42 of this Record.

In the matter of }
The Morgan }
Road Improvement. }

} Hearing on Report of Apportioning Committee.

William Payne, Harrison Wilson and A. A. Riddle heretofore appointed by the Commissioners of Madison County to apportion the expense of the Morgan Road Improvement upon the real property reported by the Viewers as benefited, having filed their Report in the Auditor's Office, and this being the day fixed for the hearing of said report and exceptions to the same, and proof being made satisfactory to the Board that lawful notice had been given of the time and place set for said hearing,

Thereupon the cause came on to be heard and all parties present were granted a hearing before the Board.

Exceptions to the assessment made in said report filed in writing by Columbus Huddle, H. D. Folmer and R. C. Stucky were overruled.

Exceptions of R. C. Stucky were filed in writing after the Report of the Apportioning Committee had been signed by the Commissioners.

After careful examination of said Report the Board ordered the following change in Assessments.

(See next page.)

Morgan Road Improvement.

Name	Survey	Acres	Hds	By	Committed	Changed by Com.
Edwards Ellenore	2680	15			1216	1875
Trolner H.D.	2680	36	37		2211	2254
Huddle Columbus	4904	90	25		2927	2256
Lucas Elizabeth	2680	3			243	375
Millikin A. G.	2680	108	75		1764	2718
" Elizabeth	2680	154			1873	3080
" "	2680	24	15		392	483
" "	7484	10	25		166	205
Morgan L. and G.	2680	12			973	1500
" Hannah M.	1410, 2680	33	62		1212	2327
" Leonard	" "	3	59		291	350
" "	" "	25			2027	3125
" "	2681	18	09		734	734
Smith Butler	2680	24	10		389	482
" Stephen	7484	54			2627	2627
" "	2680	63	41		3085	3085
" "	8461	13	25		645	645
" "	4904	30			1460	2460
" "	2680	8			389	389
Stucky R. G.	2680	269	50		10925	9367
" "	2680	112			4540	8980
Wilson Henry G.	6443	180	50		7320	
" "	4904	20			1216	9886

It is ordered that said report as above changed be confirmed, and that the Auditor place the same on a special duplicate to be collected in three annual installments

Motion for the approval of the above order, the roll being called, Lilly, Robbins and Withrow voted "Aye." Carried.

H. Lilly, }
S. S. Robbins } Commissioners
James Withrow } of
Madison County.

Morgan Road Improvement.

In the matter }
of the Morgan }
Road Improvement. } Order of Issue and Sale of County Bonds.

This day the Board had under consideration the matter of issuing and selling County Bonds to meet the expense of the Morgan Road Improvement.

It was moved by S. S. Robbins and seconded by James Withrow that for the purpose of raising money necessary to pay for the above named improvement, and in pursuance of the authority granted by sections 484^{1/2} of the Revised Statutes of Ohio, and the laws amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto that Bonds of the County be issued for the Morgan Road Improvement as follows:

One bond for \$210 due March 1st 1898.

One bond for \$210 due Sept. 1st 1898

One bond for \$210 due March 1st 1899

One bond for \$210 due Sept. 1st 1899

One bond for \$210 due March 1st 1900

One bond for \$210 due Sept. 1st 1900

Amount of Bonds \$1260. Amount of Interest \$132.30

Total Amount of Bonds^{and} Interest \$1392.30

Said bonds to bear date of September 1st 1897 and bear interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum.

Interest represented by Coupons payable as follows:

First installment payable March 1st 1898 and said interest payable semi-annually thereafter and due March 1st and September 1st of each year.

That bids for the purchase of said bonds shall be filed with the Auditor of said County up to twelve (12) o'clock noon (standard time) on Wednesday, Aug. 25th 1897, on which date said bids will be opened and considered.

That bidders be required to state the gross amount they will pay for said bonds on any part thereof.

That the successful bidder be required to deposit cash to an amount equaling 5 per cent of the bid to bind the purchase.

That bonds and interest are payable at the County Treasurer's Office of said county and that bonds be delivered to successful bidder at said Treasurer's Office upon payment of purchase price on or before September 1st 1897.

That the board reserve the right to reject any or all bids. Upon call of roll for the approval of the foregoing motion Lilly, Robbins^{and} Withrow voted "Aye."

Motion carried unanimously.

Board adjourned.

H. Lilly }
S. S. Robbins } Commissioners
James Withrow. } of
Madison County.

Morgan Road Improvement.

In the matter
of the Morgan
Road Improvement.

Sale of County Bonds.

This being the day fixed by the Board for the sale of the Morgan Road Improvement Bonds, which bonds are specifically described in the order for the sale of the same and described on page 638 of Volume 5 of the proceedings of the Commissioners and the Board being satisfied that said bonds had been duly and legally advertised proceeded to conduct said sale in accordance with the aforesaid order.

Bids were received as follows:

Central Bank, London, Ohio.

Seasongood and Mayer, Cincinnati, Ohio.

First National Bank, Columbus, Ohio.

E. H. Gay and Co. Boston, Mass.

S. A. Keaw, Chicago, Ill.

After due consideration of all the bids it was moved by Robbins and seconded by Withrow, that the bid of Seasongood and Mayer be accepted.

Upon the adoption of the foregoing motion, the roll being called, Lilly, Robbins and Withrow voted "Aye". Carried.

In the matter
of the Morgan
Road Improvement

Assessments.

The Morgan Road Improvement having been provided for according to law, and the Board of Commissioners having determined to issue and sell bonds of the County to raise money necessary for the expense of the said improvement,

It is hereby ordered that Assessments shall be made upon the lots and lands benefited, payable in Three Annual Installments.

That assessments for the year 1897, sufficient to pay the cost of location and bond and interest due, the first and all claims for compensation and damages allowed be made in proportion to the estimates made on said road improvement.

And the County Auditor is directed to make and furnish to the Treasurer of the County a special duplicate for the year 1897, charging each of the lots and lands assessed for said improvement per centum of the gross assessments.

And that assessments shall be made annually hereafter sufficient to pay the Bonds and Interest due each year until paid.

Motion for approval, "Yeas", Lilly Robbins and Withrow.

H. Lilly
S. S. Robbins
James Withrow } Commissioners
of
Madison County.

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